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WAR ENDING?

"ONLY A MATTER OF DAYS NOW"

KWANGSI DEBACLE

How Opposition to Nanking Is Crumbling

CANTON'S VOLTE FACE & THE "THREE CHANS"

Opposition to Nanking is crumbling. Whereas the war began with the Kwangsi faction having four provinces to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's (Nanking's) four, the odds have changed dramatically. Kwangsi has lost one of the provinces through a Cantonese pro-Nanking regime taking over control of Kwangtung and declaring for peace. And, in the North, both the leaders, the "Christian General" and Yen Hsi-shan, have pledged their support to Chiang Kai-shek. Worst still, there are rumours of dissent in the Kwangsi ranks in Hunan province and Chiang Kai-shek's forces have been steadily advancing westward with Hankow as their final objective.

Signs of "the beginning of the end" are forthcoming in the reports from Hankow of Kwangsi officials there making provision to safeguard their possessions by placing same in the foreign Concessions, or of leaving the place before the debacle sets in completely.

STIFFENING KNOCKED OUT

Canton, Yesterday.
Everything is now in favour of the war being concluded very shortly. For this both Chinese and foreigners will be thankful.
Latest developments are such that it is only a matter of days in which the Nanking vanguard will be knocking at the doors of Hankow with the stiffening knocked out of the Kwangsi defence by superiority in numbers, a landslide of political opinion in favour of Nanking, the desertion of the Kwangsi cause by Canton, and the inevitable treachery in Hunan.

Many troops may have to move before the issue is decided, but there ought not be much actual fighting. So that peace, with much gain to Nanking's prestige, is not far off.—Our Political Correspondent.

Affirmation of Peace

No less effective than it has been surprising, a change of personnel in the Government of Canton has been brought about and a declaration of war against Nanking, the national capital, has been converted into an affirmation of peace.
Thanks mainly to the efforts of the "three Chans" Canton is now strongly pro-Nanking. Orders have gone forth that Cantonese troops at their posts are to remain on duty, and those who have marched north to Shuiukwan to concentrate for active service, are to return immediately.

A few of the pro-Kwangsi diehards are still committed to hostilities and arrangements have been made with the new regime for their troops to evacuate Kwangtung forthwith so that they can do as they please in Kwangsi without embroiling Canton.

Marshal Li's Prospects

The leaders in Canton to-day profess loyalty to Marshal Li Chai-sum. Assuming that Marshal Li is released—and his liberty is unlikely to come sooner than the successful conclusion of the war against Hankow—it is problematical whether he will still be acceptable to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Nanking. Essentially he is of the Kwangsi group. The accusation against him is that he has conspired with the Kwangsi-ites in Hankow against Nanking. He may be permitted to rule Canton once more, but only under a much closer degree of supervision by Nanking, or Nanking may "transfer" him to another sphere and let his hitherto subordinates, including the "three Chans" referred to, carry on in his place in Canton.
It might be safe to assume also that were Marshal Li to return to Canton, the "three Chans" will still accept him as the No. 1. If he does not return, promotion will come the way of that section of his supporters who have, during his detention in Nanking, declared for Nanking and peace.

Benefit to Canton

At least one benefit to Canton is assured, in exchange for bowing the knee to Nanking. This is the cessation of payments of huge sums monthly to Kwangsi Generals (such as Li Tsung-jen and Pei Tsung-hsi) for the upkeep of their armies.
Cantonese have taken these military subsidies to heart very much in the past; but as Marshal Li was

more or less bound, the remittances out of Canton's revenue had to continue.

The "three Chans" are General Chan Chai-tong (commander of one of the three divisions in the Canton Army), who returned from Nanking last week and had, in the interval, been appointed to a post equivalent to that of commander-in-chief *pro tem* in the province; General Chan Ming-shu (commander of another of the three divisions and Civil Governor) who is in the Government Civil Hospital, Hong Kong; and Admiral Chan Chak (commander of the Navy in Kwangtung) who, after returning from Nanking with General Chan Chai-tong.

Kwangsi Evacuation

It is significant that when General Chan Chai-tong arrived at Canton, he "assumed office" on the gunboat "Haifu" which took him up from Hong Kong. This was because General Tang Sai-tsang, who was nominated by Marshal Li Chai-sum.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK

There has been no change to record in the Yangtze situation except that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, President of the State Council of the National Government and Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Army, Navy and Air Force, has left Kiu-kiang and sailed down-river.—British Naval Wireless.
Marshal Chiang went up from Nanking to Kiu-kiang to direct operations. His return, presumably to Nanking, means that his personal attention is no longer necessary or that his presence is required in Nanking.

sum to be in charge during his absence, was in control of the city and, as a Kwangsi diehard, would hear of nothing but war against Nanking.

Two conferences were held in Hong Kong, at the Government Civil Hospital. The result of them, with such far reaching consequences, was not announced until General Chan Chai-tong reached Canton.

During the week-end, some of the Kwangsi units in Kwangtung began their march back to Kwangsi, safe conduct having been assured by the "three Chans." Steps were taken to accomplish the change of personnel, so that General Chan Chai-tong can become commander-in-chief in the provincial capital in fact as well as in name, and the diehard General Tang Sai-tsang—if he still persists in war—will have to leave Canton to pursue his course.

Dissent in Hunan?

Slight doubt exists about General Chui King-tong who, it is to be noted, returned from Nanking by himself whereas the others (mentioned in the foregoing) travelled together. General Chui commands one of the three divisions in Kwangtung and it is thought that, while not so ardently enamoured of complete submission to Nanking, he will acquiesce.

It now remains to be seen whether

R.M.S. "FRANCONIA"

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INVITES INSPECTION

Another around the world liner will soon be here with a full complement of globe trotters. She is the R.M.S. "Franconia"—a vessel by no means new to Hong Kong, as she has been here on several occasions before.

The "Franconia" belongs to the fleet of the Cunard Steamship Co. Ltd., and the 1929 world cruise is under the direction of Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son, Limited.
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ther General Wong Shu-hung of Kwangsi will rally, by himself, to the cause of the Kwangsi-ites in Hunan and Hupeh. Dissent in Hunan has already been whispered. And circumstances point to even Kwangsi province standing aloof, rather than attempting to turn the tide in Nanking's subjugation of Hankow.

Leaving Hankow?

Hankow, Yesterday.
Chinese reports are in circulation that the local (pro-Kwangsi) officials are in the midst of preparations for leaving.—Reuter.

Merchants in Uproar

Hankow, Thursday.
Chinese business men here are in an uproar as the result of a demand from the militarists for a loan of \$5,000,000.

The tension locally has increased as the result of a renewal of the activities of the pressgangs and military preparations general. It is possible that the defection of General Li Ping-shan, General Ho Chien and others is giving the Kwangsi clique considerable anxiety.—Reuter.

Confidence Unshaken

Hankow, Friday.
Large detachments of troops are moving down the river in steam launches and junks. It is reported that 30,000 Kwangsi troops are massing at Seven Mile Creek but whether to guard against a surprise advance by Feng Yu-shiang on Hankow or to reinforce Kwangsi troops falling back from Wusueh is unknown.
The confidence of the Kwangsi troops appears to be unshaken. It seems that they are relying upon the early arrival of armies from Kwangsi and Kwangtung.

On the other hand disquieting features are the number of officials who are quietly moving into the concession area and that the banks are being inundated with demands for remittances upon Shanghai.—Reuter.

Pei Tsung-hsi

Tokyo, Saturday.
According to the Japanese War Office General Pei Tsung-hsi of the Kwangsi faction is now in Canton.—Reuter.

[This has not been confirmed. The consensus of opinion is that he is in Hankow.]

Nanking's Victory

Nanking, Yesterday.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, wiring from Kiu-kiang, states that the Nanking forces yesterday occupied the Kwangsi-Kichow region, which is 25 miles north-west of Wusueh, while the Nanking forces have been in occupation of Tienchiachow since March 29.—Reuter.

Kwangsi Retreat

Nanking, Yesterday.
It is stated here that the Kwangsi troops have evacuated the entire eastern corner of Hupeh below Kwangchow, and are falling back upon their second line of defence. Thirteen National gunboats are participating in operations on the Yangtze River.—Reuter.

Cadets for the Front

Nanking, Yesterday.
Under instructions from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, the entire student body of the Central Military Cadet Academy is leaving the capital by special transport for the front, while three aviation squadrons are going to Kiu-kiang immediately.—Reuter.

Chiang Kai-shek

Kiu-kiang, Friday.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek arrived here to-day on the gunboat "Chu Yu" from Nanking.—Reuter.

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MYRON T. HERRICK

DEATH OF U.S. AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

Paris, Yesterday.
The death is announced of the American Ambassador, Mr. Myron T. Herrick.

Heart Attack
Paris, Later.
Mr. Herrick succumbed to a heart attack. His health had been causing the gravest concern for some time. He intended to attend Foch's funeral but had an attack the day before.—Reuter.

[Mr. Herrick, who was born in 1854, had long been associated with America's diplomatic service and was well-known as Ambassador to France.]

U.S. OIL

GOVERNMENT AND QUESTION OF PERMITS

APPLICATIONS REFUSED

Washington, Yesterday.
The Department of the Interior has cancelled 350 permits for prospecting Government oil lands and a similar number of holders have been called on to show cause why their permits should not be cancelled. Nearly 1,000 applications have been refused.—Reuter's American Service.

WAR VETERANS

FRENCH SOLDIERS VISIT TO LONDON

GEN. GOURAUD COMMANDS

London, March 30.
General Gouraud, the Military Governor of the Rhineland, arrived in the War, and a number of French ex-servicemen to the Cenotaph to-morrow.—British Wireless Service.

Impressive Scenes
There were very impressive scenes at Westminster on the occasion of the visit of the 900 French ex-servicemen, headed by General Gouraud, the Governor of Paris, who was officially received in Westminster Hall, in the presence of Government, Naval and Air Council representative, Earl Jellicoe, as President of the British Legion, Lady Haig and several generals.

The Frenchmen afterwards marched to the Abbey where Gouraud laid a wreath upon the tomb of the Unknown Warrior.
They then marched to the Cenotaph where Gouraud, who had lost his right arm, saluted with his left delivered a brief speech, and laid a wreath as a memorial.
The French band played the British National Anthem and the Welsh Guards the "Marseillaise"—Reuter.

SUNDAY CONCERT

K.O.S.R. BAND AT PENINSULA HOTEL

TREAT FOR "LISTENERS-IN"

An Easter Sunday band concert was given last night at the Peninsula Hotel by the Band of the 2nd East. The King's Own Scottish Borderers, under the baton of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M.
The programme arranged was excellent and music lovers were given a real treat. At the conclusion of every piece there was loud and prolonged applause.

The overture of "William Tell" (Rossini) was excellently played, and an outstanding duet in the second half of the programme, "Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark" (Bishop), reflected much credit on Musician A. McKenna (flute) and Band Sergeant G. Ware (clarinet).
The opportunity was also taken of enabling listeners-in to hear the concert. Two microphones were installed in the Roof Garden, where the concert was held, these being controlled by amplifiers. From the amplifiers a land line was run to the studio in the Post Office Building, and from there the music was taken by cable to the wireless station on the Peak, from which place it was broadcast.

It is understood that further concerts of a like nature are to be held, and these will be advertised in the "China Mail" in due course.

MUSLIM LEAGUE

ROWDYISM

POLICE ON SCENE

LIVELY DISCUSSION ON THE NEHRU REPORT

"FREE FIGHT" PREVENTED

New Delhi, Yesterday.
The session of the All-India Muslim League, called here for the express purpose of bringing about unity among the Muslim Political Parties, broke up amid scenes and confusion and disorder. A crisis was only averted by Mr. Jinnah, President of the League, adjourning the meeting sine die.

The trouble due to differences of opinion with regard to the Nehru Report, which contains proposals for a future Indian Constitution. While Jinnah was absent, negotiating with opponents of the report, the party led by Maulana Azad, which was in the majority and favoured the report, elected Dr. Muhammad Alam to the chair. This led to uproar, the members and audience rising and protesting against Alam's election.
The police intervened and prevented a free fight.
Reconciliation favouring the report, provided that one-third of the seats in the Central Legislature should be allotted to Muslims, was then moved and declared carried amid shouts of protest.
Jinnah returned at this stage and adjourned the session.—Reuter.

EASTER AT HOME

HIS MAJESTY ENJOYS SUMMER-LIKE WEATHER

OPEN AIR CONCERT

London, March 30.
Magnificent summer-like weather prevailing over the whole of the English countryside for the Easter holidays enabled the King to spend much time out of doors.
Warmed by the sun, the slight breezes which stirred the tree-tops were most exhilarating, and this morning, His Majesty sat in an armchair on the verandah of Craigweil House listening to a concert given on the lawn by the band of Kneller Hall.

The King's Consideration
Many hundreds of holidaymakers who were enjoying the sea air and sunshine at Bognor crowded from the beach and many made their way beyond the Bognor promenade along the sands in front of Craigweil House. Observing their interest, His Majesty instructed the police to allow them to draw a little closer while he continued to sit in full view enjoying every item of the programme.

At the conclusion of the programme, the King arose and walked slowly across to them and, safely, "I hope you all enjoyed the music."
His Majesty acknowledged the outburst of cheering which followed by raising his hat three times and saying, "Thank you." He was obviously very much moved by the joy on the part of the crowd at seeing him in such an improved state of health.

The applause continued while His Majesty walked slowly toward the house.
Holy Communion
The Archbishop of Canterbury administered Holy Communion to the King and Queen in the King's Room at Craigweil House. Nobody else was present at the service.—Reuter.

AIR TRAGEDY

TANK EXPLOSION IN CALIFORNIA

FIVE PERSONS KILLED

Riverside, Cal., March 30.
The petrol tank on an aeroplane exploded to-day, when the machine was flying over Beaumont. The plane took fire, and crashed, the five occupants being killed.—Reuter's American Service.

MUSSOLINI

ALL HIS NOMINEES RETURNED

Rome, March 30.
All the candidates on the Government list in Italy have been proclaimed duly elected.—Reuter.

LORD MONTAGU

DEATH OF ATHLETE AND PUBLISHER

AVIATION PIONEER

London, Yesterday.
The death occurred yesterday of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, in his 43rd year, leaves a widow, a son, and three daughters.
The hon. lord was created in 1889, and was a member of the House of Commons from 1905 to 1919.

Knights Commander of the Indian Empire, Commander of the Star of India, a member of the House of Commons, Justice of the Peace, and Verderer of the New Forest, Lord Montagu led a very active life and, during the war, held the rank of Brigadier-General. From 1912-1919 he was Adviser on Mechanical Transport Services to the Government of India.

Struck For Oxford
Educated at Eton and New College, Oxford, he took a keen interest in engineering, science, and athletics and stroked a winning college "eight" in 1887. Exceedingly well-travelled, he had visited in turn China, India, America, Japan, Egypt and South Africa. A noted big game hunter, he was also interested in aviation, motoring, railways and all transport matters.

A member of the Road Board from 1909-19, Vice-President of the Royal Automobile Club, Fellow of the Royal Microscopical Society, Companion of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers, Associate of the Institute of Civil Engineers, and Member of the Institute of Transport, he was regarded as an authority on road questions and rendered signal service in connection with the planning of new arterial roads which have been made in England during the past few years in order to relieve congestion on the old highways.

Conservative member of Parliament for the New Forest (Hants) Division from 1892-1905, he relinquished politics in order to devote his activities to solving many of the problems besetting motorists in the early days of the new form of transport. Founder and late editor of "The Car," he also contributed very extensively to magazines and the Press generally.
His outdoor recreation consisted of shooting, fishing, yachting, cycling, rowing, motoring, and all country pursuits. He was also intensely fond of music and no mean litterateur.

He was a member of the Carlton, Beaufort, Royal Automobile, Royal Aero, Royal Yacht Squadron (Cove), and Royal Motor Yacht Squad Clubs.
His estate, Beaulieu, in Hampshire, comprised about 10,000 acres. The heir to the title is the Hon. Edward John Barrington Douglas-Scott-Montagu who was born in 1926.—Reuter.

BRITISH BUDGET

SURPLUS SHOWN OF OVER £18,000,000

ELECTION CAMPAIGN

London, Yesterday.
The national financial year has closed with a surplus of over £18,000,000, which, added to last year's surplus of over £4,000,000, has been carried to a Suspensory Fund for relief of local rates.
Mr. Winston Churchill budgeted for a surplus of £14,600,000. The expenditure amounted to £318,000,000 and the revenue to £336,000,000.—Reuter.

FOR THE POLE

SUBMARINE GETTING READY

New York, Saturday.
Sir Hubert Wilkins has fore-shadowed the possibility of crossing the North Pole in a submarine inside a month. The actual Arctic voyage will be 2,000 miles of which one-fifth will be on the surface as leads in the ice about every 25 miles will be available for cruising at an average depth of ice of 10 to 15 feet with a maximum of 120.
The "New York World" says that Sir H. Wilkins will use a submarine now being fitted out at the Simon-Denis Submarine Works Bridgeport, Connecticut. It is 98 feet long and will be equipped with extraordinary devices for protecting a crew of twelve.—Reuter's American Service.

BOY SCOUTS

COLONY'S REPRESENTATION AT BIRMINGHAM

MR. C. H. BLASON

Al Blason, the Boy Scout, coming of age, Birmingham, will be in July and August and Hong Kong had at first hoped to send a contingent, but the cost was found to be prohibitive. It was then decided to send a representative from Hong Kong itself.

The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, local Scout Commissioner, has devised other means of having a representative from Hong Kong at the forthcoming jamboree. Mr. H. Blason, Assistant Commissioner, will be leaving the Colony for good this month. He will, however, not resign from the commission, so as to enable him to attend the function as a representative from Hong Kong.

There are other Scouts at Home who are with the Third Destroyer Flotilla. They joined the local movement when they were stationed out here. These Scouts, twenty in number, have kept up their connection with the local Branch, and it is understood that they have obtained permission from Imperial Headquarters to represent Hong Kong. As many as 200 Scouts will go to Birkenhead. The Colony's contingent is also likely that a few Scouts who have recently returned Home will be able to attend.

Mr. Blason will command the local party. Whether it will be possible to find any Chinese Scouts in Britain who have at one time or another been attached to the local movement remains to be seen.

NEW DOG BREED

IVICENE FROM BALEARIC ISLANDS

FANCIERS CURIOUS

An announcement in the "Morning Post" that the Ivicene dog, a breed which has never before been seen in England was to be shown at Cruft's Dog Show, aroused great curiosity among dog breeders and among those who were to exhibit at Cruft's. Only a small number of people have heard of the Ivicene dog, and still fewer could give any details of the history of the breed.

Two years ago Dr. Ververs, superintendent of the Zoological Gardens, with Mr. Clarence Elliott, a prominent member of the Alpine Club, spent a holiday in Iviza, one of the smaller islands in the Balearic group. They noticed that one particular breed of dog, which they had never seen before, seemed to be peculiar to the island. "It was of the greyhound type, only taller and with pointed ears like an Alsatian," Dr. Ververs said to a press representative. "We admired particularly the power of its forefeet, full in the eyes and without the greyhound's pointed muzzle. They are speedy and have a high killing power. The inhabitants of Iviza use them for coursing."

"They apparently set a high value on the breed, which they call the Podenco, for when we tried to buy two puppies, thinking we might introduce the breed into England, their owner asked the equivalent of £5 each for them, a price which is very high for a Latin country, where dogs are cheap. We found that to bring the dogs to England, with transport from Barcelona and six months' quarantine here, would cost us £100."

"The Balearic Isles formed a base for each of the races who crossed from Africa into Europe, and you can find in Iviza evidence of occupation by different peoples from prehistoric times to the Carthaginians and the Moors. The Podenco, therefore, must have come to Iviza from Africa, brought from Egypt or Morocco, either by the Carthaginians or the Moors."

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1. That the authorized capital of the Company (which is now \$3,600,000 divided into 720,000 shares of the nominal value of \$5 each, the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$5,000,000 by the creation of 280,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$5 each ranking as from date of allotment for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.

2. That 80,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be offered forthwith in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of nine existing shares held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 6th day of May, 1929, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 720,000 shares at par and so that on acceptance of the offer the full nominal amount of \$5 due in respect of each such share taken up shall be paid not later than the 4th day of July, 1929.

And that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined, and that the Directors of the Company be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit. And further that any of the said 80,000 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

3. That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share or shares held by such shareholder.

4. That the remaining 200,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be issued in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th day of April, 1929, to SATURDAY, the 4th day of May, 1929 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Hong Kong, 26th March, 1929.

NOTICE.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League will be held at the Helena May Institute on THURSDAY, April 4 at 10.30 a.m.
Hong Kong, March 30, 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on MONDAY, 1st April, 1929, commencing at 2 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 per day for all persons including Ladies.

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Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Lindsay & Davis at \$5 each per day up to Thursday, 28th March, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2 per day.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

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Hong Kong, 26th March, 1929.

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Mainland.	Feet.
Taimochan	8124
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CHINA AND JAPAN

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PROBABLE SETTLEMENT

Tokyo, Saturday.

It is learned on good authority that Mr. Yoshizawa (the Japanese Minister) will probably meet Dr. C. T. Wang (China's Minister for Foreign Affairs) on April 1, for the purpose of settling the Nanking and Hankow incidents.

It is understood that an agreement was practically reached in the preliminary negotiations between Mr. Yada and Dr. Wang. No hitch is expected.

No Meeting

Nanking, Saturday.

Dr. C. T. Wang and Dr. Yoshizawa did not meet to-day owing to the indisposition of Chow Lung-kuan, chief of the Asiatic department of the Foreign Office.—Reuter.

"TRUE" GOVERNMENT

REACTION OF THE PRESS IN WUCHOW

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Wuchow, Wednesday.

In view of the present impasse between the Nanking Government, represented by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and the powerful Kwangsi clique, composed of Generals Li Tsung-jen, Li Chai-sum, Pei Hsiung-shai and Wang Shao-hung, interest is centring around two places, Nanking and the province of Kwangsi. Several days ago Generals Li Tsung-jen and Wang Shao-hung arrived in Wuchow rather unexpectedly. Their presence in the city was not announced through the columns of the local newspapers until the following day.

Yesterday, they left by motor car for the provincial capital, Nanking, to attend to official business in connection with the dispatching of troops.

Contingents are being sent north through Kweilin to the Kwangsi-Hunan border and on up north into Hupeh province. Other units are moving eastward overland to the North River area of Kwangtung province with Shichau and the Kwangtung-Kiangsi border as their posts.

Travellers attempting to go overland from Nanking to Luchau have reported that all motor cars have been commandeered for troop movements, so that the road is therefore closed for public travelling.

Troops to Party!

It is interesting to note the reaction of the local Press. Articles are appearing attacking Marshal Chiang and his supporters. These articles brand them as Communists, as enemies of their country, and as traitors to their party. They call for the overthrow of the National Government as represented by the Nanking officials, claiming, on the other hand, that the Government as represented by the Kwangsi faction is the true Nationalist Government.

The papers are making much of the reported telegrams of General Feng Yu-hsiang and Marshal Yen Shih-shan demanding of the Nanking Government an explanation as to the "detention" of Marshal Li Chai-sum. Local supporters are interpreting this as meaning that the two Marshals, Feng and Yen, will throw in their support with the Kwangsi faction.

[Feng is reported since to have thrown in his lot with Chiang Kai-shek.]

Hong Kong Notes Favoured

The money market is very unsettled, which is natural in view of the state of affairs. Hong Kong currency has been quoted two for one in terms of the provincial paper notes. The exchange rate to-day is a little steadier, being at 87. However, it is difficult to secure Hong Kong notes from even the larger banks in the city. The reason for this is due to the fact that people with large sums have hurriedly bought up all available Hong Kong notes, fearing that in the event of war the provincial notes would be worthless.

Many officers in the army, on receiving orders to proceed to the front, have immediately changed their salaries into Hong Kong currency, knowing that this is current throughout the various provinces, and at a high rate of exchange.

There is no disorder or trouble reported within the province, and the Government is exercising every precaution to preserve peace and order.

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These are among the high-spots of Vilma Banky's first starring picture, "The Awakening," which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday. Miss Banky appears as Marie, lovely, quiet, modest, whose virtues are the village boast. Into the ordered goodness of her life, a storm appears in the person of Captain Karl von Hagan, with the troop of Uhlans on their Spring manoeuvres. In the little Alsatian hamlet, indignation mounts in the hearts of the peasants as they see Marie court, seduced and won by this philandering Karl, whom they know is seeking only conquest.

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ARAFURA	10,946	16th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	17th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Mr. James E. Casse, accompanied by his wife. Mr. Casse is an architectural engineer of Shanghai, making a pleasure and business trip in South China, and the Philippine Islands.

Mr. S. Gibson Kirkland, a commercial business man of Shanghai and New York. He will spend 3 months in and around Manila on a business trip.

Mr. Hudson Manning is an engineer for the Standard Oil Company of New York. He is making a business trip to Manila, and will then return to Hong Kong.

Mr. William Voss is affiliated with the Dayton Price Company of New York, and is on a business trip to the Muller and Phipps (Asia) Company, Limited of Manila.

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A mass meeting of the Liverpool area was also held under the chairmanship of Mr. H. Docker, and Mr. G. Jackson addressed the meeting illustrating very clearly the value of sane trade unionism, and the policy of the president, Mr. J. Havelock Wilson. He pointed out what a menace and danger it would be if they linked up in any direction with shore workers. Seamen, he said, were a class by themselves, who knew their business best and wanted no interference from anyone.

Mr. B. F. H. Mollan, Mersey district secretary, also spoke. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"We, the members of the Mersey district, having had the position explained to us of the attack that is being made on this union by Mr. Sevin, McVey, and others of the Transport and General Workers' Union,

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GOLDEN WEDDING

PIERCY-SMAILES.—On 1st
April, 1879, at St. John's
Cathedral, Hong Kong, George
Piercy, of the Diocesan School,
Hong Kong, to Jeannie
Smailes.

Hong Kong, Monday, April 1, 1929.

THE AIR SERVICE TO INDIA

The inauguration on Friday—
(and according to schedule
despite threatened difficulties)
—of the regular air service from
London to India is an event of
the greatest importance. It is
the first regular service of an
Imperial nature and it is certain
that it will be followed as soon as
possible by regular services to
Capetown and later to Australia.
We in this part of the world are
naturally most interested in the
possibility of a regular service to
the Far East or, at least, to
Singapore. It too will come, and
it is merely a matter of time
when the service will be in regular
working order. Daily aviation is
becoming more than ever an
ordinary method of transport,
and statistics have shown that
there have been fewer accidents in
the air than there have been
on either railroad or sea. It is
quite an ordinary thing now-
adays for people in any of the
great capitals to journey by air.
London, Paris, Berlin, Rome,
Vienna and other well-known
European cities are to-day within
a few hours of one another.
Daily, the world may be regarded
as growing smaller, as air travel
enables people to pass from one
place to another and over large
distances in a very short space of
time. The progress made
aerially during the past decade
has been astounding. It was very

largely a legacy from those who
had done so well during the war
to advance the science of aviation,
as it was unquestionably the
war's necessities in that direction
that provided the stimulus. This
may be looked upon as one of the
very few benefits the war con-
ferred upon mankind; and it is
one, happily, that has been well
worth developing.

The London-India service, just
inaugurated, has been long con-
templated, and it has not reach-
ed its present incomplete stage
before very thorough investiga-
tion in many directions. When it
is in proper working order—that
is to say, when it is a passenger
as well as a mail service—it will
be one of the most important
links binding a part of the British
Empire to the mother country.
All Britons will wish the new ser-
vice the very best of luck and
trust that the authorities may be
in a position to develop it before
long.

It is particularly interest-
ing that Aero Clubs are springing
up, almost "mushroom-fashion"
at home and that every possible
encouragement and facility is
being afforded them by the Air
Ministry over which Sir Samuel
Hoare presides so ably. It is con-
fidently predicted that before
long there will be daily services
across the Atlantic, and with that
in view influential officials of
Liverpool recently held a meeting
to determine the site of a suitable
landing ground for aircraft.
Other cities and towns in Great
Britain and Ireland have been
similarly engaged, and it is evi-
dent that, aerially, there is bound
to be very considerable progress
made before long. Other coun-
tries, notably France, Germany
and Italy in Europe, the United
States, Canada and Australia
have also been taking similar
steps towards promoting a real
interest in aviation and of de-
veloping it in accordance with
their own peculiar needs for
transport purposes. Obviously,
the Aerial Age is now with us and
during the next few years vast
developments in many directions
are certain.

Locally we do not appear to be
making much actual progress, but
we have at any rate got as far as
to appoint a Director of Air Ser-
vices—though, so far, there is no
air service to direct. There can
be little doubt but that the ap-
pointment, which has been placed
on the shoulders of our Harbour
Master, clearly indicates that the
Government contemplate aerial
developments in the near future,
and that sooner than was at one
time thought likely we will have
a regular service between Hong

Kong, Canton and Macao. Both
machines and aviators could be
readily available, and all that is
needed is that the tentative sug-
gestions for a British Air Service
that have been heard of so fre-
quently and so long should be
taken up by those able and will-
ing to float a company. Success,
we believe, awaits such an enter-
prise.

If we are to retain our belief
in the special psychic nature of
humanity, in its essential differ-
entiation from the animal crea-
tion and in a life beyond the
grave, we need a more solid
foundation than hopes or
emotions, if that faith is to with-
stand the subtle but determined
attacks made on it to-day in the
name of science or literary criti-
cism. The statement was made
yesterday by Professor
John Ambrose Fleming. . . . In
a paper read before the Victoria
Institute. Dealing with
atomic structure, Professor
Fleming pointed out how Dr.
Neils Bohr had suggested that
there were only a certain number
of permissible orbits in which
the planetary electrons could
evolve. It was just as if round
a city there were only a certain
number of concentric circular
roads along which motor-cars
could run, but not in regular
routes. . . . At every stage of
the investigation into atomic
architecture one was as clearly
met with evidence of purpose and
design as one was in the case of
the most complicated chrono-
meter or wireless receiver. One
could not invoke, as an explana-
tion of their origin, any process,
such as a struggle for existence,
as there were no intermediate
types. The eighty-eight kinds of
atoms known were separate and
distinct. They were like coins
struck in a mint, and each bore
the impress of the image of their
maker in the attributes they pos-
sessed. . . . Mind in the form of
chemical atoms consisted of
localised energy, and matter and
radiation were incontrovertible
terms because they were essen-
tially of the same nature. With-
out energy there would be no
events or phenomena in the ex-
ternal world. The nearest ap-
proach one could make to an in-
terpretation of it was that it was
the result of the ever acting will
of a divine Mind present at all
times and in all places. What we
called the laws of Nature were
as Orsted had said, only the
thoughts of God. — "Morning
Post" (London).

Mr. J. K. Arthur and Mr. V.
Yvanovich left for Manila on the
"Empress of France."

During the whole of last month
the total rainfall registered at
the Royal Observatory was 0.505
inch.

Mr. H. S. King, General Y. H.
Tang and Mr. P. A. Cox arrived
on the "Empress of France" over
the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Piercy
celebrate their golden wedding to-
day. They were married in St.
John's Cathedral on April 1,
1879.

Mrs. T. W. Doyle returned to
Hong Kong on the "Malwa." The
Banvard Company, who are now
appearing at the Star Theatre,
were also on the same boat.

The Consul-General for Portu-
gal has received an official cable
dated March 27 stating that the
Treaty of Amity and Commerce
between Portugal and China has
been ratified. The Treaty is, in
consequence, now in full force.

The Fire Brigade was called to
an outbreak of fire last night at
about 8.30 o'clock, at No. 223
Queen's-road Central. Three ap-
pliances turned out. On arrival
it was found that the roof of the
house was ignited. The fire was
put out shortly afterward with-
out any material damage being
done.

"Detectives" drew large crowds
to the Queen's Theatre to see
Karl Dane and George K. Arthur
(the latter a Briton who has
"made good" in America) win
further laurels in film comedy.
Marceline Day appeared as a
charming heroine. This picture
will be shown again to-day. At
all performances Janna Ducho,
the "Queen of Mystery," will de-
monstrate in mental telephony.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hargreaves
Brown left for Home by the
"Malwa" on Saturday. Mr. Har-
greaves Brown has spent three
years here as Civil Secretary to
the Commodore and is not return-
ing. He played cricket for the
second eleven of the Kowloon C.C.
Both Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves
Brown were prominently identi-
fied with the musical functions
at the Helena May Institute and
they will be much missed there.

The military garage at the
corner of Austin and Canton-
roads was entered some time be-
tween March 25 and 30 by thieves,
who stole two canvas stretchers
of military pattern, marked with
initials "W.D.V."

A report of a robbery was made
to the Au Tau Police Station on
Saturday by inmates of a nunnery
at Pai Heung. Enquiries showed
that a number of thieves tried to
sneak into the nunnery, and,
owing to the excitement of the
nuns, the more alarming report
was made to the Police. Nothing
was stolen.

Mr. A. W. Hayward, residing
at No. 4, May-road, has reported
to the Police that according to a
statement in the vernacular
papers, his house boy, Chau Sha-
wah, 28 years of age, had com-
mitted suicide by jumping into the
harbour from the s.s. "Tung
On." Mr. Hayward stated that
he granted leave to the boy on
Thursday last to go to Canton.
The Police had received no con-
firmation of this.

Many local people left for Home
on the "Malwa" on Saturday.
They included Paym. Lt.-Col.
and Mrs. Barker, Mr. and Mrs.
P. S. Cassidy, Mr. T. F. Claxton,
Director of the Royal Observa-
tory, Mr. W. S. Cuff, Mrs. D. J.
Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. V. M.
Grayburn, Capt. E. L. Grieve,
R.N., Mrs. A. Maitland, Mr.
A. H. McBride, Mr. and
Mrs. E. Nicholson, Comdr. P. R. P.
Percival, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pryde,
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Redmond, Mr.
and Mrs. C. A. S. Russ and Comdr.
H. H. Snapp.

ROBBERS BUSY

RAID ON CHINESE BOARDING HOUSE

HAUL OF \$765

Five robbers entered the Tung
On Boarding House—a wayside
inn—at No. 41, Castle Peak-road,
on Saturday evening.

According to a report made to
the Police by Tse Pak-leung, a
partner, they intimidated the
fokis and himself and stole money
amounting to \$765.

At the time of the robbery
there were about 190 boarders on
the premises. The key to the
safe was kept by the partner,
who was forced to open it by the
robbers, and from which \$715
was stolen. Another sum of \$50
was taken from the fokis.

The report further added that
only one of the robbers was armed
with a revolver, and that none
of the inmates was bound or
gagged.

BOGUS OFFICER

FRAUD ON THE CAVALRY CLUB

Before Mr. Cancellor, the Marl-
borough-street magistrate, Albert
Guy, 37, clerk, of Bridge-avenue,
Hammersmith, was charged with
obtaining, by false pretences \$4
from Charles Jonathan Everett, a
clerk, the money belonging to the
trustees of the Cavalry Club,
Piccadilly.

He was also charged with a
similar offence at the United Ser-
vices Club, Pall-mall, where, it
was alleged, he obtained \$5 from
Paymaster Captain Robert R.
Hoare. There were two other
charges, whilst three further
cases were taken into considera-
tion by the magistrate.

Detective Robert Fabian said
the accused telephoned to the
Cavalry Club saying he was Col-
onel Malise Graham, and that he
was sending an old N.C.O. of his
regiment. He asked that the
man should be given \$4, as he
(the man) had got work at the
Army and Navy Stores. In an-
other case he attempted to get
money from a milkman by say-
ing that he had been sent by
Brigadier-General Bethune. He
obtained money from others by
the story over the telephones of
the N.C.O., in each case represent-
ing himself as a distinguished
military officer. Prisoner had
stated that he served in the 16th
Lancers before the war and wit-
ness believed that was correct.

It was through the ingenuity
of General Baird, secretary of
the Carlton Club, that the prison-
er was caught at that club, where
he attempted to obtain \$3. After
telling his story of the supposed
N.C.O., the prisoner called at
other places and obtained money.
"His wife says he's a lazy, good-
for-nothing scoundrel," concluded
the officer.

Mr. Cancellor sentenced Guy,
who had been previously con-
victed, to a total of twelve
months' hard labour.

Very Young Wife (tearfully):
"And you used to call me 'My
Queen.'"

Very Young Husband: "Yes,
but when I found that the Queen
let the dinner burn and took a
week to mend her subject's socks,
I decided that a Republic was
better."

P'RAPs—

P'RAPs NOT!

Father: The man who marries
my daughter will get a prize.
Ardent Suitor: "May I see it,
please?"

Small Boy (at table): "What,
all that pie for grandpa?"

Mother: "No, my son, that is
for you."

Boy: "Oh, what a little bit!"

Teacher: Willie, what is a
barn?

Willie (from the city): A barn
is a garage where they keep
animals.

He: "May I have the next dance
with you?"

She: "No thank you, I'm too
danced out."

He: "Why you're not stout at
all, you're just comfortably
plump."

Teacher: "Now boys, I'll give
you one more chance. Whose em-
blem is the leek?"

Johnny: "Please, teacher, the
Plumbers' Union!"

Professor: "You have now been,
I understand, twenty-five years in
my service, Henry?"

Faithful Domestic (Expectant-
ly): "Yes, Sir."

Professor (impressively): "Well,
as a reward for your faithful ser-
vice I have decided to name after
you my newest species of beetle."

"Tomkins' book was a complete
failure," said one.

"How was that?" said the
other.

"Well, you see, he was writing
a mystery novel, and one of his
principals was a Scotsman!"

"But what difference does that
make?"

"Oh! But how can a Scotsman
be uncanny?"

A man from the backwoods of
Western America visited New
York for the first time one Chris-
mas, and went into a restaurant
to have his Christmas dinner.

All went well until the waiter
brought him a serviette. The
eyes of the backwoodsman flamed,
and, pulling a six-shooter from
his hip-pocket, he told that waiter
his mind.

"You take that blamed thing
away at once," he said, evenly. "I
reckon I know when to use a
handkerchief, without having
them darned hints thrown out!"

They were travelling home on
Friday evening, and the self-
assertive man was talking to a
friend who was vainly trying to
get in a word.

"Yes," said the loud-voiced
man, "I always bring my dog in
the carriage with me. I allowed
him to travel in the guard's van
once, and I had to pay for a lot of
stuff he was supposed to have
eaten."

The train slowed, and then the
friend spoke.

"Since you know what your
dog's up to," he remarked quiet-
ly, "I suppose you know he's half
finished the fish you're taking
home?"

A city man advertised for an
office-boy, and in due course a
bright little fellow presented
himself at the office.

"What is your nationality, my
boy?" he was asked.

"Breetchish, sir," was the reply.

"And your father's national-
ity?"

"Breetchish, sir."

"And your mother, too?"

"Yes, sir, Breetchish."

"And what is your name?"

"Jack 'obbs, sir."

"How do you spell your name?"

"J-a-c-o-b-s, sir."

He was of humble origin, lived
in a country village, was employ-
ed as a general labourer at the
local works, but always endeavoured
by the smartness of
his attire to create the impres-
sion of belonging to a higher
social order.

She lived in the neighbouring
town, and was the daughter of
fairly well-to-do parents.

They met one night at the pic-
tures, and a friendship began. In
reply to her inquiry respecting
his occupation, he said he was a
clerk.

One day she happened to be
in the village where he resided,
and was passing his place of em-
ployment about noon. So she
lingered in the hope of seeing her
beloved.

That morning he had been en-
gaged in cleaning out boilers and
presented quite a grimy appear-
ance as he left the factory to pro-
ceed to his mid-day meal.

"Oh, John!" she exclaimed,
catching sight of him as he en-
deavoured to pass unnoticed, "I
thought you told me you were a
clerk."

"So I am, my dear," was his
calm reply, "but you see it's my
day for mixing the ink."

FIRST PARLIAMENT

MILLENNARY CELEBRATION OF
ICELAND'S ALTHING
STRICT REPUBLIC

It is announced that the Icelanders in America have already booked two Cunard liners to take them to the celebration of the thousandth year of the Commonwealth Legislative Assembly, the Althing of Iceland, which is to be held in the summer of next year. It has been claimed for the Althing that it was the first of parliaments, and if it be read in a loose sense the claim may, perhaps, be substantiated. It happened that some half-a-century after the Scandinavians had begun to colonise Iceland and had found there the remains of the Irish hermits who had been there before them, a certain Ulfiotir, a settler of royal descent, persuaded himself that it was time Iceland had a code of laws.

He went in 927 home to Denmark, and in 930 returned with his code. He was able to persuade his fellow-settlers to divide themselves into twelve constituencies and to elect in each constituency three delegates. The thirty-six members of the Althing thus elected used to meet each year, in June, at a place which came to be known as the Thingvalla, and which was chosen partly because it was at the junction of the tracks that cross the desert of the interior, but more because it could be had for nothing, since the land had been taken from the former owner, who had committed murder.

Court of the Althing

The Althing made laws and established the "Court of the Althing," which tried all disputes. A Speaker, or "lawgiver," was appointed, whose duty it was to recite publicly the whole law. To him, too, all who were in need of a legal opinion or of information as to what was and was not law had a right to turn during the meeting of the Althing. To him a sort of presidency or precedence at the Althing was conceded, but with a care which marks how jealously the young Republic guards itself against bestowing too great power on its chief officer he was expressly excluded from all share in the executive.

Under the code of Ulfiotir Iceland was a republic in the strictest sense. Any man over 25 so long as he paid his taxes and had not been in prison—had the right to stand for election. Eventually the Althing was divided into two houses, the upper house having twelve and the lower house twenty-four members.

The Thingvalla plain, where the Althing will meet again in its thousandth year, is famous for its wild beauty. It is eight miles long and six miles wide, with mountains at one end and a lake at the other. The Althing meets now in a less romantic, but more businesslike, fashion in a room at Reykjavik. It met with fair regularity through the centuries till 1720, and in 1849 it was re-established, but only as an advisory committee. It was not till 1874, when Iceland was given again her constitution, that the Althing was revived in its old glory, and, finally, in 1918 the Act of Union between the two sovereign States of Denmark and Iceland was passed.

Before Columbus

The Althing now has a cabinet which consists of three members; the Premier, who at the same time is Minister of Justice, of Ecclesiastical Affairs, and of Public Instruction; the Minister of Industry, and the Ministry of Trade.

The Althing dates from the century of the greatest of sagas. Scholars say that the saga which tells of the discovery of Vinland—America—is a little younger than the Althing and perhaps the republican United States will now prefer to think that America was discovered by republicans and not by proteges of a king.

THE ANTARCTIC

EXPLORER PERFECTING
PLANS IN ENGLAND

Another Antarctic expedition is foreshadowed in the arrival of Sir Douglas Mawson, the famous explorer, in England.

Sir Douglas, who was the leader of the Australian Antarctic Expedition of 1911, states that nothing definite has been settled yet, although he hopes to be able to secure Captain Scott's ship "Discovery" for the expedition. Arrangements are being made, he adds, by the National Research Council in Australia, and Sir Douglas expects to spend several months in England perfecting arrangements.

It is probable, Sir Douglas thinks, that the starting place will be Hobart, Tasmania, in November or December next. Scientific research will be carried out in the Antarctic, and the results will be sent to the British Museum.

GODDARD MONEY

THE £12,000 CLAIMED BY THE
CROWN

WRITE FOR LORD BYNG

The Crown has laid claim to the £12,000 formerly in the possession of Ex-Sergeant Goddard and seized by the police at safe deposits during the inquiries which led to the prosecution of the sergeant on bribery charges.

Mr. Freke Palmer, solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard, stated that he had received the following letter from Sir Ernest Blackwell, legal Assistant Under-Secretary, Home Office:

"I am directed by the Secretary of State to inform you that the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis has handed to him your letter of the 30th ultimo, applying for the return to you on behalf of your client, ex-Sergeant Goddard, of the sum of £12,471.10s. and certain foreign notes now in the possession of the Commissioner. I am to enclose herewith the copy of a letter which the Secretary of State has caused to be sent to the Commissioner, and I am glad to say that the Treasury Solicitor has been instructed to prepare and take the necessary proceedings."

Instruction to Lord Byng
The copy of the letter of Lord Byng is as follows:

"My Lord,—With reference to the letter addressed to you on the 30th ultimo by Mr. Freke Palmer, the solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard, applying for the return to him on Goddard's behalf of the sum of £12,471.10s. and certain foreign notes, now in your possession, I have, the honour, by direction of the Secretary of State, to inform you that these moneys are claimed by the Crown, and you are, therefore, required not to part with these moneys, but to hold them, for and on behalf of His Majesty, pending further instructions."

"I am to enclose for your information the copy of a letter which the Secretary of State has caused to be sent to Mr. Freke Palmer on this subject."

A writ claiming the return of the £12,000 was served on Feb. 15 on the Police Commissioner (Lord Byng) by Mr. Freke Palmer, solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard.

Goddard was sentenced by Mr. Justice Avey to 18 months' hard labour, and ordered to pay a fine of £2,000 and the costs of the prosecution. An estimate of these and his own costs is about £2,000. Goddard was sentenced in the police bribery case in respect of sums amounting to over £900.

WIVES OF CLERGY

SOCIETY "FOR BETTER
ACQUAINTANCE"

The wives of clergymen in the Diocese of Southwark are combining to form an association "for the furtherance of better acquaintance," by which the widely-extended parishes of the diocese may be brought into touch with one another.

The idea originated with Mrs. Darlington, wife of the Vicar of St. Mark's, Kennington. She was moved to sympathy for the young wives of clergymen, who often find themselves in parishes where they are complete strangers, and her suggestion won the approval of Mrs. Garbett, mother of the Bishop of Southwark.

The rural deans of the twenty-one deaneries in the diocese were approached and invited to co-operate, with the result that nearly all the deaneries have been incorporated. Only Bactersea, Clapham, Godstone, Greenwich, and Wandsworth now remain outside the movement.

In a circular letter the association states that its intention is not to add in any way to the arduous work of busy lives; it is concerned solely with the promotion of mutual fellowship among the wives of the clergy. At least three meetings are to be held every year, and for these Mrs. Garbett has offered the hospitality of Bishop's House. It is felt that those who live in deaneries so distant as Caterham and Reigate, should at least be able to make these three visits to London.

An honorary general secretary has been appointed, and secretaries have been elected for each of the deaneries. At the meetings discs will be worn, bearing on one side the name and parish of the member, so that formal introduction will not be necessary. The annual membership subscription is to be a shilling, and sisters and daughters may be elected as associates.

Two informal meetings have already been held. It is hoped that at these meetings members will discuss the problems of Church affairs, which always face the wives of clergymen, and that useful suggestions may result.

Owing to illness the King of Siam was unable to attend at the Bangkok Sports Club recently to present the prizes won at the golf tournament.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Detectives" and Janna Dudo, "The Queen of Mystery."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Wise Virgin."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Mirage."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Merry Widow."

To-day—Star Theatre; Banvard Musical Comedy Co. in "By Request."

Apr. 6, 9, 11, 12, 13—Theatre Royal; H.K.A.D.C. production "The Dover Road."

Land Sale

Apr. 2—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Mong Kok Tsui, 3 p.m.

Home Mails

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia "Calchas."

To-morrow—Outward for E. Africa and Europe via Marseilles, "Calchas," 2.30 p.m. and Europe via San Siberia "Tenyo Maru," 6 p.m.

Lammer's Auction

April 3—At Standard Oil Co.'s Installation, Laichikok, surplus stores, etc., 10.30 a.m.

Sports

To-day—Second extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

April 13—Third extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

BASKETBALL

ALL-CHINA TEAM ARRIVES IN COLONY

The All-China Basketball team arrived here from America on Friday by the "Empress of France." They played nine matches in America against the various States Champions and lost only three.

From Manila to America, they played 21 matches and lost only three.

This is the third time Mr. C. C. Lim, the sporting philanthropist, has financed a touring basketball team. This American tour cost him close upon \$80,000. As the gate receipts go to the Y.M.C.A. and charities, he does not get a cent back.

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Seeping through the wall of silence that has enclosed Gloria Swanson since Director Erik Von Stroheim was dismissed from her current production comes a whisper that this flicker may never be finished. It is said that "Queen Kelly" is now in eighteen reels. That is only a little more than one-third completed.

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LESSON-SERMON

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"Reality" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 31.

The Golden Text was: "Thou O Lord, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations" (Psalms 102: 12).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds); Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;" (II Cor. 10: 3-5).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The conceptions of a mortal, erring thought must give way to the ideal of all that is perfect, and eternal. Through many generations human beliefs will be attaining diviner conceptions, and the immortal and perfect model of God's creation will finally be seen as the only true conception of being" (p. 269).

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DICKENS

WRITER RAKES UP
MUCK

In these decadent days black has become a fashionable colour. Exotic women wear black underclothing—at least I am told so—and love to contrast the pinkness of their flesh against black silk bedclothes and black silk elderdowns—again I am speaking from hearsay. Intensely artistic people use black as a background for boudoirs and drawing rooms, patterning flowers and hanging pictures thereon, while the same funeral hue plays a prominent part in other modern decorative schemes. Black seems to be creeping into our literature also, for we have "Ephesian"—whose real name is Mr. C. E. Bechhofer Roberts, a writer who has given us two rather candid portraits of Mr. Winston Churchill and his friend Lord Birkenhead—painting a portrait of Charles Dickens in this very depressing monochrome and possibly using gall as a medium, assisting his unpleasant pigment to flow more freely.

"Ephesian's" "novel"—this descriptive term is his own—has been inspired by one of two things—a hearty and overwhelming hatred of Charles Dickens or a desire for best selling notoriety by emulating the man with the muckrake. And "Ephesian" has raked up his muck to some purpose. Instead of painting a human portrait of Dickens he has provided his readers with a most inhuman distortion. Instead of facing his subject in the cause of accuracy he has chosen to work in a reflection cast in a distorting mirror of prejudice and hatred, and—making every allowance for Dickens's uncertainty of temperament—has evolved only a scurrilous and entirely unfaithful caricature.

It is a pity that, in the preparation of this amazing novel, "Ephesian" did not remember Othello's appeal:

Speak of me as I am; nothing extenuate. Nor set down 'aught in malice.

Certainly he has extenuated nothing, but malicious inspiration has been the begin-all and end-all of his unworthy effort, which he dedicates to the Duke of Sutherland. His Dickens is a Cockney among Cockneys, who seems to be only happy when talking in the vernacular of Sam Weller. Most of his ideas, according to "Ephesian," were stolen or adapted from others. He takes an early opportunity of letting us know this. When discussing the sketches destined to be known as "Sketches by Boz," Macrone, the would-be publisher, insisted upon the necessity, for speed, "Your style is fresh now," he is supposed to have said to Dickens. "It strikes readers as original. In six months you'll be imitated—as you've imitated others."

Knowing Dickens's irritable temperament and his vanity in his work, one has little difficulty in imagining the response he might have made had Macrone been so indiscreet as to mark the beginning of the author's career by an unjustified sneer.

Next, when Pickwick was on the stocks, "Ephesian," in describing Dickens's enthusiasm over his creative or imitative, mood, says "Pickwick, the central figure, must perform like Surtees's Jorrocks, a comic city merchant. To distinguish him from his forerunner, however, he was to be retired from business." How foolish "Ephesian" appears when accrediting such childishness to Dickens; and more than foolish when he tells us that Mr. Snodgrass was "only created" to be an excuse for the appearance in "Pickwick" of "a gloomy ballad of decay" called "The Ivy Green." He is delighted, apparently, when he is able to make Mr. Hall, of Chapman and Hall, tell Dickens that they "haven't sold a hundred copies of the first number of 'Pickwick'." According to him, "Pickwick," hung fire until Sam Weller was introduced, and the idea of the humorous body-servant comes from Mary Hogarth, Dickens's sister-in-law, who advised him to make the character like Sam Vale, an actor with whom Dickens was once acquainted.

"Not a very clever girl it is, as the rising young author said to his pretty stepister when she gave him the notion. Splendid!" Thus Dickens according to "Ephesian."

And so the author rattles on irresponsibly and viciously, making Dickens a mean, contemptible vulgarian, an undutiful son, an untrue husband and an archpriest of that hypocrisy and sham he spent his life in fighting.

Dickens was human, was foolishly generous, was by no means a demigod and possessed more than his fair share of that temperament labelled "artistic." He was a born showman who had more interest in the stage than in the library and had the vain and irritable outlook of the successful actor.

The real Dickens is not the Dickens of Forster or the scurrilous lampoon of "Ephesian," but is found most likely in the pages

of Mr. Ralph Straus. I suggest that whoever reads "This Side Idiotry" should, as he reads, collate the slanders of Mr. Bechhofer Roberts with Mr. Straus's fine "Portrait in Pencil." In this the character of Dickens is not approached from the viewpoint of Pharisee, but from that of common-sense. Mr. Straus's Dickens is not the smug, self-seeking hypocrite who is made in "This Side Idiotry" to exploit his family and whose allowances to them are contemptuously referred to, but a Dickens who was systematically exploited by his rapacious family.

Few men have been unluckier in their families than Dickens. For all his genial temper and gracious manners, his father was little more than a wastrel, and a not very honest wastrel at that. His brothers did little or nothing for themselves, and more than once there was serious trouble. Dickens himself was never really free of these limps, and time after time he was driven nearly wild by their extravagant follies. Nor, in later years, was he too fortunate in his own sons, who, with one marked exception, made little enough of their lives. It is not pleasant to speak of these matters, but it is not only stupid to omit them as Forster does; it is also unfair to Dickens.

Those who read "This Side Idiotry" are bound, in duty bound, to read Mr. Straus's before passing judgment on the great novelist. It must not be thought that Mr. Straus flourishes a white-wash brush as energetically as "Ephesian" flourishes his brush dipped in tar. He makes no attempt to white-wash Dickens but, replying on material that was inaccessible to Forster, he shows us a Dickens almost entirely different to the prevailing idea, a Dickens so difficult to deal with and so inconsistent in many things that one can only admire the tolerance of Forster and others who retained his friendship for so many years. But despite his infirmities, he was a very human Dickens, a good son, and, unless disgruntled by the unjust or the unexpected, a good friend. He was unduly precocious and at the age of twenty-six behaved like a veteran of fifty. His letters written at this time to the various members of his family suggest that they might have been written by a grandfather instead of by a young man but a few years out of his teens.

Apparently he had an eye for a pretty woman and loved the good things of the table.

"Ephesian" seems to regard Dickens as commercially immoral because he endeavoured to drive the best bargain possible with his publishers, and Mr. Straus admits that "he cannot be altogether acquitted of the charge of . . . treating his publishers in too casual a manner" after he was in a position to make his own terms. It seems to me that Dickens had every right to sell his wares in the best possible market, and when one remembers how advantageous his early contracts were to the publishers, one entirely sympathises with him.

I have said that Dickens had an eye for a pretty face. The appeal of womanhood seems to have been potent throughout his life, from the days when he and a little girl playmate, who lived near him at Chatham, indulged in juvenile flirtation beneath the kitchen table, to those when he saw much to attract him behind the scenes of the theatre. Mr. Straus records that he found the "young ladies of the stage—'little periwinkles,' he called them—mightily attractive."

If Kate, his wife, had been able to retain her good looks his domestic history might have been written differently. But Kent put on flesh and her ordinarily lacklustre disposition was not improved by the almost constant strain of child-bearing—a laudable occupation in those pre-birth-control days. She was the mother of ten children, each following the other with depressing rapidity and, as she invariably took the line of least resistance, she represented just the wrong sort of helpmeet for the volatile author.

Dickens frequently joked at his own expense upon his capacity for fatherhood—"I expect, to be presently presented with a smock frock, a pair of leather breeches and a pewter watch," he wrote to Wilkie Collins, his son-in-law, "for having brought up the largest family ever known with the smallest disposition to do anything for themselves." As Kate grew more lethargic and helpless—her sister Georgina had to step in and take charge of household affairs—Dickens's affection grew colder until it finally disappeared altogether.

His attitude in the case of Maria Beadnell was very similar. Maria represented his first real love. He was passionately attached to her and when her banker father refused to countenance a marriage, he almost offered himself up as a human sacrifice on the altar of celibacy. The memory of Maria haunted him for years.

When he was famous, Maria attempted to come again into his life. She was a Mrs. Winter with her husband alive and a small

daughter. She wrote to him and her letter—which arrived when the domestic affairs of Dickens had almost reached breaking point—set the old affectionate flame burning bravely. He replied in almost passionate terms, for he could only see Maria as he saw her at her Lombard Street house many years before. She wrote again and he replied with eagerness and arranged to meet her in secret because "he was a dangerous man to be seen with."

They met and he found himself facing a strange woman who bore not the slightest resemblance to the girl he had loved, an unusually plump and coquettish matron, the sight of whom sent him away almost more hurriedly than he had come. The young Maria crept into "David Copperfield" as Dora, the "child wife"; the middle-aged Maria pointed a moral and adorned the tale of "Little Dorrit" as Flora, of whom Dickens writes: "Flora, always tall, had grown to be very abroad, too, and short of breath; but that was not much; Flora, whom he had left a lily, had become a peony; but that was not much. Flora, who had seemed enchanting in all she said and thought, was diffuse and silly. That was much. Flora, who had been spoiled and artless years ago was determined to be spoiled and artless now. That was a fatal blow."

For the second time Dickens and Maria went their diverse ways.

Mr. Straus frequently refers to "bachelor tours" which were undertaken more often as the breach between Dickens and Kate widened. Dickens's companion, and his bachelor tours, was Wilkie Collins and those who are fond of reading between the lines might be interested in this extract:—

Wilkie Collins liked to do himself well; he enjoyed the little adventures in which a man of not too scrupulous taste will sometimes indulge. I do not say that he led Dickens astray, but after Forster's starchified and ultra-respectable ways it must have been a relief to have somebody about you at once capable of holding his own in intellectual argument and not unwilling to be pleasantly vulgar on occasions. There are passages in Dickens's letters to Collins (invariably deleted in the printed versions) which you do not find in his other correspondence. And so, in these days of strain, when the little bachelor jaunts were becoming so frequent, it was almost invariably Collins who was invited to be his companion.

There is a peculiar point about another reference to Collins. Says Mr. Straus: "He was not straitlaced. In Paris he must have been an ideal companion." There is more than a "chops and tomato sauce" inference about this. Curiously enough "Ephesian" seems to have overlooked entirely the slanderous possibilities attendant upon Wilkie Collins and Charles Dickens shaking loose bachelor legs in Paris. Had he only thought of this how much more horrible might have been his portrait of Dickens, which recalls the comic valentine of the snake-in-the-grass so much in evidence in the "seventies."

"Charles Dickens" by Mr. Ralph Straus, which may be obtained from the Central News Agency, is a palatable antidote to Mr. Bechhofer Roberts's nasty draught. —J.L.L. in the Johannesburg "Sunday Times."

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BOY RESCUED FROM SHARK'S
JAWS

HUMANITY SOCIETY'S MEDAL

The Royal Humane Society has awarded the Stanhope Gold Medal for the bravest deed of the year to Mr. Andres Muller Heyns, aged 39, a farmer, of Mounthope, South Africa, for going to the rescue of a youth who had been seized by a shark.

In the official account of the deed it was stated that on December 28, 1927, Mr. Andres Heyns was bathing in about five feet of water at Little Brack Beach, Mossel Bay, South Africa. There were other bathers in the water, among them being several children, Mr. Ockardus H. Heyns, a student, aged 17, of the same name, but no relation of Mr. Andres Heyns, and Mr. W. A. Gericke.

"Suddenly," the report continued, "Mr. Gericke noticed a dark object approaching Ockardus Heyns. He gave a shout of warning, and Ockardus, noticing the shadow as well, began swimming towards the shore. But it was too late.

"Dragged Out to Sea." "To everybody's horror, the shark was seen to seize Ockardus and drag him some distance out to sea, where he was out of his depth. Mr. Gericke saw the water turn red and hastened ashore to get a life-line.

"Mr. A. M. Heyns, however, went straight to the rescue and never hesitated, although the monster was still circling slowly round the blood-stained patch of water. Although absolutely exhausted by his efforts, he dragged Ockardus into shallower water and carried him ashore, where it was found that the youth's left leg had been bitten off above the knee and his right foot completely crushed. He was hurried

to Mossel Bay Hospital, but died the same night.

"The shark, which was afterwards caught and killed by local fishermen, was 14ft. 7in. long and weighed 1,575lb. Mr. Heyns's heroism was officially brought to the notice of the Society by the City of Cape Town."

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
COLONY

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for April (Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:—

April	Sunrise	Sunset
1	6.16 a.m.	6.38 p.m.
2	6.15	6.38
3	6.14	6.39
4	6.14	6.39
5	6.13	6.40
6	6.12	6.40
7	6.11	6.41
8	6.10	6.41
9	6.10	6.41
10	6.09	6.42
11	6.07	6.42
12	6.06	6.42
13	6.05	6.42
14	6.04	6.43
15	6.03	6.43
16	6.03	6.43
17	6.02	6.44
18	6.01	6.45
19	6.00	6.45
20	6.00	6.46
21	5.59	6.46
22	5.58	6.46
23	5.57	6.46
24	5.57	6.47
25	5.56	6.47
26	5.55	6.48
27	5.54	6.48
28	5.53	6.48
29	5.53	6.49
30	5.52	6.49

Sport Columns

LEAGUE FOOTBALL

SOUTH CHINA BEAT ATHLETIC

CHINESE DERBY

The senior games on Saturday were very important. South China kept their place at the head of the table by a brilliant win over their rivals, the Athletic.

The Police went down to the Navy and the League championships is still in a sporting state.

The junior results went much as expected, the Navy by a smart win over the Somersets, maintaining their fine record at the head of the table.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Division I.			
Chinese Ath.	2	South China	3
K.O.S.B.	2	Kowloon	5
Royal Navy	3	Police	2
*Small Units	3	Club	2

Division II.

Somersets	2	Royal Navy	3
Kowloon	2	R.A.	5
St. Joseph's	2	South China "B"	3
Athletic	10	Club de Recreo	0
*Eastern	10	K.O.S.B.	0

* Match off—Club could not raise a team.
† Eastern could not raise a team.

League Div. I

CHINESE ATHLETIC v. SOUTH CHINA

A Gruelling Game

Before a great crowd at the Club ground, Happy Valley, the visitors from Caroline Hill in the local Derby won well by 3 goals to 2 in a thrilling match. At the interval South China led by two goals to nil, but the Athletic, by great forward play, reduced the lead and at one time looked like making the match a draw. However, high-class defence by Pau in goal and Li Tin-sang at right full back kept the Athletic out and South China won on their merits by the odd goal in five.

Teams:—
Chinese Athletic:—Chan Shek-pui; Wong Shiu-wo, Lai Yuk-tat; Hui Choy-yin, Wong Shiu-wa, Lam Yuk-ying, Sin Piu-kong, Lai Wai-koon, Wong Pak-cheong, Suen Kam-suan, Chen Kwong-ku.
South China:—Pau Ka-ping; Li Tin-sang, Lau Mau; Leong Tin-chiu, Leung Wing-tak, Leong Wing-chiu; Tsang Wing, Chiu Kwok, Fung King-cheong, Wong Mei, and Ip Pak-wa.

Pace Electric

Pau won the toss and from the start the pace was electric. Here we saw South China at their best, the Athletic being nearly in from the start, but great defence by Pau and Li Tin-sang kept them out. Fung raised the siege. South China, for whom Chiu scored, but the referee disallowed the goal for "hands"—a decision not favourable with the stand. The Athletic were lucky. Brilliant work by Ip Pak-wa was rewarded, Chiu Kwok scoring with a nice effort.

From another perfect centre by Ip Pak-wa, Fung headed into the net and South China led deservedly at the interval by two goals to nil.

The Athletic attacked desperately on the resumption and Suen and Lai Wai-koon came near, but Pau in the South China goal was playing a brilliant game and all shots came alike to him. The Athletic scored after great pressure through Wong Pak-cheong.

With the game standing in anybody's favour, Ip Pak-wa got through nicely and crossed to Fung who put South China again in the lead.

Brilliant play by the Athletic and end to end passing resulted in Pau being well beaten by a crashing shot from Sin Piu after a well placed corner.

South China held on to their

lead and retired good winners by the odd goal in five.

Comments on the Game

The Athletic did not look like winning from the kick-off. Although South China played several reserves (the inside right having played in the former junior game) they were more assertive. Suen and Chen, the crack wing, were well held by Leong Yin-chiu, and Lai Wai-koon could not get his usual dainty touches in because of the attentions of Leong Wing-tak and Leung Wing-chiu. Pau in South China goal gave a brilliant display against his old Club-mates and Li Tin-sang and Lau Mau at full back played strong games.

South China won on their merits and had the margin in their favour been greater there would have been no case for criticism. Playing a dashing game against their doughty opponents South China were the better team and deserved their win, although probably it was very unexpected.

K.O.S.B. v. KOWLOON

Played at Sookumpoo, this match resulted in a well-deserved victory for the K.O.S.B. They played a scientific game and were unlucky not to win by a bigger margin. Kowloon played hard, but their lack of combination prevented them from becoming really dangerous.

Teams:—
K.O.S.B.:—McDougall; Gardner, Martin; Everest, Davey, Gear, Skiggs, Stock, Reeves, McGlinchey, and Alexander.
Kowloon:—Bliss; Guest, Pile; Dowman, East, Easterbrook; Eastman, Hedley, Hannan, McKelvie, and Miles.

The opening stages were scrappy. Soon after, however, the K.O.S.B. got together, and some clever passing by Stock, McGlinchey and Alexander found the ball at the Kowloon end. A struggle in front of goal ensued which gave Stock possession and he taught the goalkeeper napping with a really good shot.

Kowloon began to force matters, and a pass which was missed by the soldiers gave Hannan possession. He transferred to Miles, where speed enabled him to beat Skiggs and bring the ball in front of the home goal. The K.O.S.B. defended hard but without success as Hedley secured the leather from a scrimmage and put Kowloon on equal terms with a hard drive which the K.O.S.B. goalkeeper could not reach.

The soldiers next took the offensive in a decided manner, forcing a corner, but smart work on the part of the Kowloon goalkeeper frustrated their efforts. Kowloon, now on the defensive, were hard put to it to keep the home team at bay. Alexander on the wing was a thorn in their side, as his clever tackling and accurate centres gave his confederates some really good opportunities. It was only smart work on the part of the Kowloon custodian, who was always hard pressed, which prevented the soldiers from adding to their score.

Soldiers Gain the Lead

The re-commencement of play was the K.O.S.B. forcing matters in no undecided manner, the ball being continually at the visitors' end of the field. Alexander, who was invariably the recipient of the ball when his fellows were hard pressed, put across a well-timed centre which Stock gave to Reeves. The latter was quickly harassed by the Kowloon backs, but he emerged still in possession of the leather, which he netted with a shot that Bliss could not deal with.

Kowloon now tried hard for an equaliser and some good football on the part of Hannan and Miles resulted in their breaking through the K.O.S.B. defence, but a shot at goal went wide and the chance was missed. The ball was brought again to the visitor's

half, where Bliss was repeatedly called upon to save. A corner was conceded but the soldiers failed to score as Pile cleared after a scrimmage in front of goal. Kowloon looked like breaking through again but a mis-kick on the part of Eastman was Alexander's opportunity and the soldiers were again in front of the visitor's goal. Kowloon were hard pressed, but they prevented the K.O.S.B. from adding to their score. The final whistle saw the score sheet unaltered.

Result:—
K.O.S.B. 2
Kowloon 1

NAVY v. POLICE

Owing to the big counter-attraction on the Club ground there was only a moderate attendance at Caroline Hill for this match. Play never reached a very high standard, neither of the forward lines being up to their usual form; but this was largely due to the excellence of the respective defence.

The teams lined up under Mr. Stokes as follows:—
Police:—Clarke; Wynne, Muir; Brittain, Oram, Jenson; Pile, McGreavy, Fraser, Howarth, and Shepherd.

Navy:—Spiers; McGregor, Jones; Prior, Farlowe, Aldred; Van Tromp, Firth, Hessel, Kernick, and Preston.

Play commenced in a desultory fashion, neither side being able to make such headway against the despoiling work of the respective half-backs. The Police were the first to threaten through Shepherd and Howarth and the former lobbed over a beautiful centre which Fraser headed just wide. Apart from a few spasmodic efforts, the Navy forwards had not got into their stride at this stage and it occasioned no great surprise when Howarth rounded off a nice effort by running in to beat Spiers from close range.

This early drawing of first blood incited the sailors to bigger and more concentrated efforts, and shortly afterward that stalwart forward, Kernick, accepted a neat pass which he converted into the equaliser.

This quick retaliation modified the Police style of play which, up to this stage, had been slightly superior to that of their opponents. Both teams strove for the lead and for a time exchanges ruled fairly even. McGreavy made one particularly clever run up toward the Navy citadel, only to be effectively repulsed by Wynne, who cleared with a long shot. The Navy forwards were quick to respond to the clever clearances made by their defence, the result being that Kernick established the lead for his side before the half-time whistle blow.

Half-time:—
Navy 2
Police 1

Brighter Play

On resuming, Navy more or less took temporary control of the game, and although Police made many spirited efforts they failed to achieve the coveted equaliser. From a general point of view, the quality of play improved in the second half, the work of the two forward lines comparing favourably with their efforts in the first half, while the respective defences left very little to be desired. The honour of recording the equaliser was left to Pile, who scored a perfect goal with a close range shot.

Play was thereafter frequently transferred from end to end. It was, however, apparent that if further points were to be recorded they would almost undoubtedly go to the Naval account. This surmise was borne out when Hassell netted the ball for the last time in a fairly interesting game.

Result:—
Navy 3
Police 2

Division II

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY v. NAVY

The Navy still hold on to the League leadership as the result of a narrow victory over the Somersets.

HOME FOOTBALL

ENGLISH & SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAMES

SOME HEAVY SCORING

London, Saturday.
To-day's games in the League matches resulted:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division

Arsenal 1, Bury 1.
Birmingham 0, Newcastle 0.
Blackburn 2, Aston Villa 5.
Bolton 0, Liverpool 0.
Derby 6, Manchester U. 1.
Everton 1, Sheffield U. 3.
Huddersfield 1, Cardiff 1.
Manchester C. 4, Burnley 1.
Portsmouth 3, West Ham 0.
Wednesday 4, Leeds 2.
Sunderland 1, Leicester 2.

Second Division
Barnsley 6, Port Vale 0.
Blackpool 7, Notts. County 2.
Bradford 4, Southampton 1.
Bristol C. 0, Hull 0.
Chelsea 0, Millwall 3.
Clapton 0, Preston N.E. 0.
Grimsby 1, Oldham 0.
Notts. Forest 2, Tottenham 2.
Stoke 3, Middlesbrough 2.
Swansea 2, Wolves 0.
West Brom. 5, Reading 0.

Third Division (South)
Bournemouth 0, Newport 1.
Brentford 2, Crystal Pal. 4.
Brighton 2, Queen's P.R. 1.
Charlton 2, Plymouth 1.
Coventry 2, Torquay 1.
Exeter 2, Bristol R. 2.
Luton 5, Swindon 3.
Merthyr 1, Walsall 0.
Northampton 1, Gillingham 0.
Norwich 2, Fulham 2.
Southend 1, Watford 3.

Third Division (North)
Ashington 1, Wigan 1.
Carlisle 4, Barrow 1.
Chesterfield 4, Hartlepool 1.
Darlington 2, Stockport 3.
Doncaster 1, Rotherham 0.
Nelson 4, Tranmere 2.
New Brighton 0, Bradford C. 3.
Rochdale 0, Lincoln 2.
Southport 0, Halifax 0.
Sth. Shields 3, Crewe 0.
Wrexham 4, Accrington 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division

Aberdeen 5, Partick 0.
Airdrie 5, St. Johnstone 1.
Ayr 4, Hibernians 1.
Celtic 3, Third Lanark 1.
Dundee 4, Cowdenbeath 0.
Hearts 3, Kilmarnock 3.
Motherwell 1, St. Mirren 1.
Queen's Park 5, Hamilton 0.
Raith R. 2, Falkirk 0.
Rangers 0, Clyde 0.

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sets. Play was of quite good standard and victory certainly went to the better team, Cairns, Gray and Sorbie all doing well in the Naval forward line. The Somersets, however, put up their best display since their arrival in the Colony, and, on Saturday's form, will be a hard team to beat.

The Navy took the lead two minutes from the commencement, Gray netting after Verrier had saved from Kay.

The soldiers retaliated with vigour and equalised through Earley.

The remainder of the first half ruled slightly in favour of the Navy, and Sorbie put them ahead before half-time.

The second half was fought out at the same brisk pace and there was considerable excitement when the Somersets again drew level, Meach being the scorer on this occasion.

The Navy assumed command at this stage and forced the pace to such an extent that the Somersets were kept busily on the defensive. Eventually Evans got through for the Navy and the Somersets were obliged to admit defeat by the odd goal in five after a well-fought-out and interesting contest.

Verrier, Crawley, Palmer, and Hicks all did extremely well for the losers.

Result:—
Navy 3
Somersets 2

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RIFLE SHOOTING.

VOLUNTEER CORPS ANNUAL MEETING

FIRST DAY'S RESULTS

The annual rifle meeting of the Volunteer Corps, opened at Stonecutter's range, yesterday. The competitions were for the Blake Shield, a challenge trophy presented by the late Sir Henry Blake, K.C.M.G., the Francis Cup, presented by the late Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., the Attack Competition, the Jar Competition, and the Reserve Company Cup Competition.

The first on the programme was the Blake Shield, in which 20 teams took part, the winners being the Mounted Infantry, with 289 points, the Corps Signals being second with 271 points, and the "A" Team of No. 6 Platoon third with 264 points.

This was followed by the shoot for the Francis Cup, 21 teams entering, the "A" Team of No. 6 Platoon being winners with 261 points, No. 2 "A" Team second with 247 points and No. 1 "A" third with 234 points.

In the Jar Competition, in which nine jars filled with water and painted white were exposed on the butts, the team breaking the largest number being the winner, a keen competition resulted, the highest score being made by the "B" Team of No. 2 Platoon, with eight jars to their credit, the Motor Cycle Section coming in second with five.

The Attack Competition attracted a large number of entries, No. 6 Platoon being victors with 60 points, followed by No. 2 "A" with 45.

The last competition of the day was for the Hong Kong Volunteer Reserve Challenge Cup, which was won by L. C. Shaw. Five competitors entered.

The programme for to-day consists of the Corps' Championship, the Tyro Competition for beginners, and the Musketry Competition.

GOLF

AMERICA'S RYDER CUP TEAM

New York, Sunday.
The Ryder Cup team will sail on April 4. The team is Walter Hagen, (Captain) Johnny Farrell, Leo Diegel, Gene Sarazen, Horton Smith, Ed. Dudley, Joe Turnesa, John Golden, Al. Espinosa and Al. Watrous. They will remain for the British Open Championship—Reuter's American Service.

FANLING COMPETITIONS

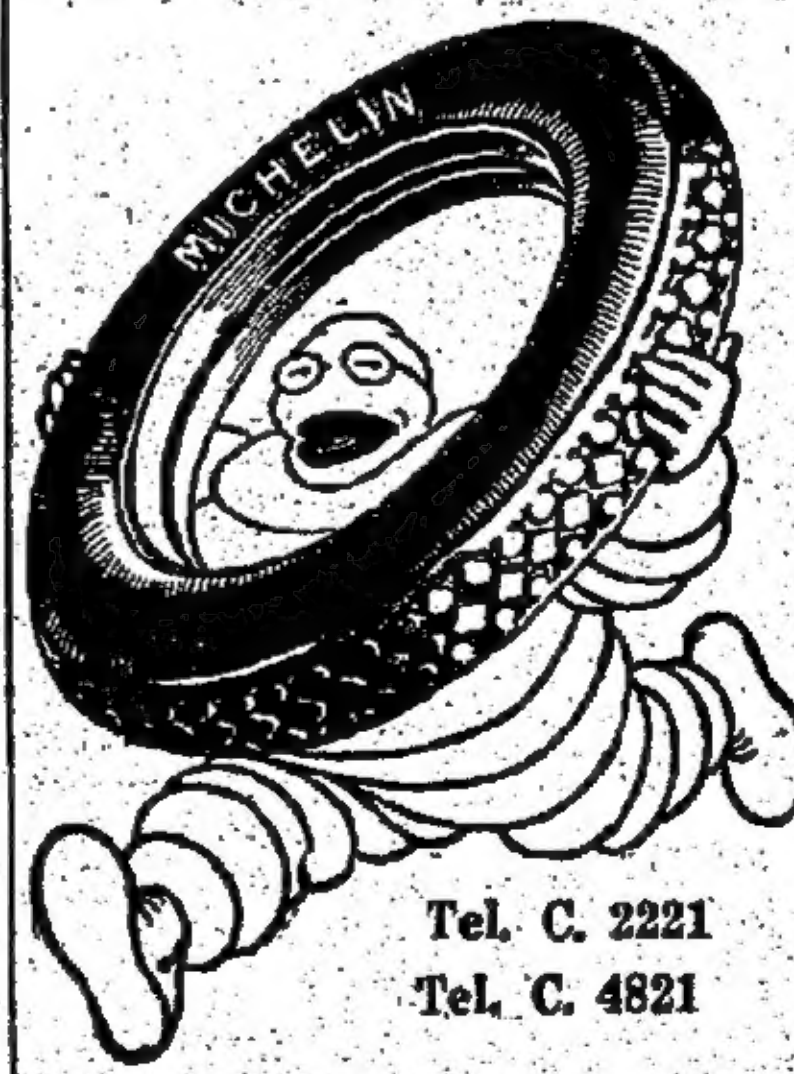
In the Ladies' Section competition for the Subscribers' Cup, played over both courses at Fanling, the old course winner was Mrs. Sherry and Mrs. W. C. Clark tied with the best returns on the new course. The replay resulted in favour of Mrs. Sherry.

In the Bogeys Competition for a prize presented by Mrs. C. Bernard Brown, Mrs. T. S. Morrison and Mrs. Sommerfelt tied. Mrs. Morrison won on the replay.

LAWN TENNIS

FIRST TIE IN DAVIS CUP CONTEST

Monte Carlo, Yesterday.
In the Davis Cup Monaco beat Switzerland by three sets to two.—Reuter.



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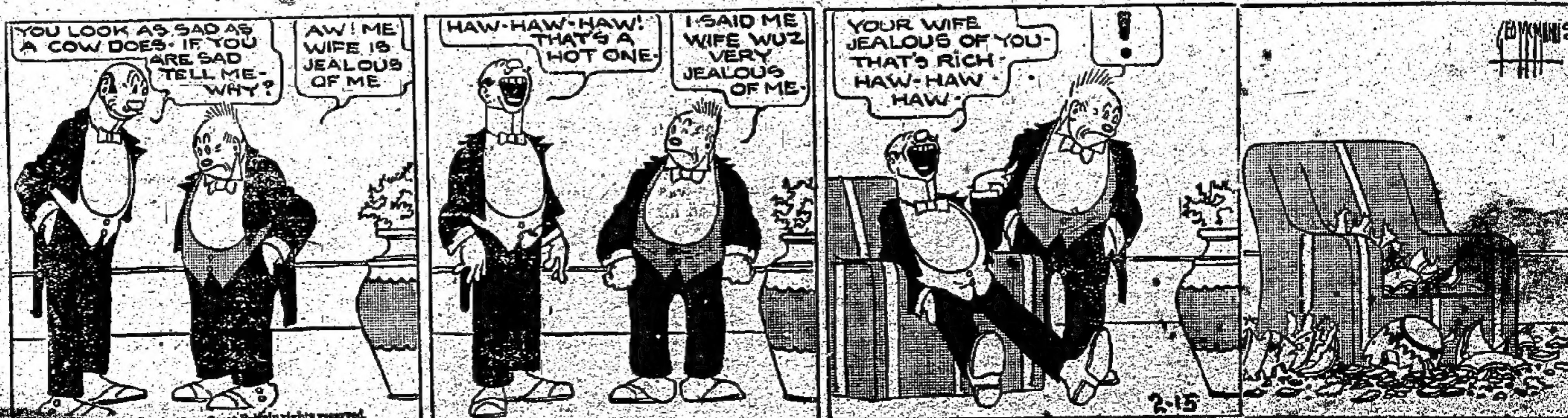
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RACING

TWO DEAD HEATS ON FIRST DAY

MR. HEARD'S FOUR WINS

Excellent sport to-day, the second day of the Hong Kong Jockey Club's second extra meeting of the season, was forecast by the thrilling racing on Saturday.

With the rain keeping off, some big fields now and then, close finishes, two dead heats and an almost equal distribution of successful favourites and outsiders, the big crowd went home pleased.

Everything went off without a hitch, although there were one or two instances of ponies being interfered with when all out. Dividends were maintained at a satisfactory level and the cash sweeps were well patronised.

Mr. A. J. P. Heard, who is now stationed here, on transfer from Shanghai, came into his own—as one of the "star" gentleman riders on the China Coast—with four victories in six attempts. Three were in consecutive races, his record for the day being:

1st d.n.s.; 2nd won; 3rd won; 4th won; 5th d.n.s.; 6th, ran fourth; 7th won; 8th, ran third; 9th d.n.s.—(d.n.s. denotes did not start).

That Mr. Heard's capabilities are recognised is evident from the fact that all his firsts were on favourites.

Ex-Derby Winner

Next to Mr. Heard came Mr. G. U. da Rosa, who won the opening race and dead-heat for first place in another event.

Mr. F. M. L. Soares, who is the only jockey taking part in local racing at present to have won the Hong Kong Derby (the honour having been denied to Mr. Heard in a long career), came into his own by catching the judge's eye in the last race of the day.

Of the owners, Mr. "John Peel" (Mr. B. D. F. Beith) saw Mr. Heard carry the dark blue and white braid in twice. And Mr. Beith was also associated in Mr. Heard's other two winners.

Times Good

Times did not disappoint, considering that the course had been subject to half an inch of rain the day before. Where fields were small, the finishes were close. Where a fairly large number of ponies faced the starter, there were always a few in at the death to maintain interest to the last stride.

Favourites claimed the first four races, two returning less than even. Then came Monterey Bay (Mr. Y. M. Lo, of Macao, up) with \$175.50. After that outsiders beat the "book of form" three times more and only one favourite justified expectations.

The Cash Sweeps of the day resulted:

Race 1. No. 319 \$779.80
" 16 222.80
" 356 111.40
Unplaced runner (\$50.00), No. 298.

Race 2. No. 396 \$852.60
" 92 243.60
" 362 121.80
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 145, 162, 15, 203, 154, 59, 420, 242, 408.

Race 3. No. 100 \$1,055.60
" 352 301.60
" 159 160.80
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 138, 448, 233, 139, 381, 496, 191, 146, 380, 497, 383, 283.

Race 4. No. 1 \$2,755.20
" 457 787.20
" 108 393.60

Race 5. No. 1 \$1,621.20
" 408 463.20
" 351 231.60
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 608, 577, 516, 115.

Race 6. No. 71 \$872.10
" 346 872.10
" 448 193.80
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 597, 250, 230, 492, 299, 356, 567, 118, 397.

Race 7. No. 272 \$1,356.60
" 258 387.60
" 499 193.80
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 162, 506, 256, 559, 625, 504, 518, 370, 296, 245, 376.

Race 8. No. 131 \$1,468.60
" 414 419.60
" 103 209.80
Unplaced runner (\$50.00 each), No. 455.

Race 9. No. 531 \$1,612.80
" 54 345.60
" 570 345.60
Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos. 621, 97, 201, 596.

1.—Colonial Stakes, Five Furlongs, For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

L. Dunbar's Bakers Bay 158 lbs. (Mr. da Rosa) 1

Bennett & Cave's San Francisco 168 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 2
Liang & Wong's O-Moon 163 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 3
Cheng & Ng's Glory 157 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0

Time: 1 min. 16 secs.
A head, 4 lengths.
Pari-mutuel: winner \$9.00; places, 1st \$6.50; 2nd \$9.20.

Winner Places
Bakers Bay 444 316
O-Moon 254 248
San Francisco 181 101
Glory 13 14

In a splendid tussle up the straight, the favourite, Bakers Bay, overhauled San Francisco in the last few strides after a grim effort to get on terms, and just clinched the odds of 5 to 1 on.

The favourite drew the rails' berth but San Francisco got away best when the flag fell. O-Moon was three lengths to the bad at the start but quickly disposed of Glory. Mr. G. U. da Rosa, who was to follow San Francisco round until the top of the straight, when he drew out and launched his successful challenge. Mr. T. O. Bulteel appeared to make the mistake of not trying to increase his lead in the first three furlongs and thereby suffered by comparison at the critical moment.

O-Moon was ridden all out but was receding after three furlongs and, not seeming to like the rather soft going, finished a poor third.

2.—Commonwealth Handicap: "C" Class: Six Furlongs—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Dyer & Beith's Tangle 160 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1
Splits' Half Pint 144 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 2
Ip & Mc's Inca 157 lbs. (Mr. da Rosa) 3

James's Rummy 150 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 4
Mancunian's Alderley 143 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 0
Dynasty's Dark Eyes 154 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0

Mrs. Charles's May 157 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0
D. A. Cave's Movanager 155 lbs. (Mr. Mockler) 0
Hynes & Mackie's Pumpkin 147 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0

H. K. Uong's Silver Stag 150 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Mrs. W. T. Southern's Touch Wood 146 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0
Mac's Zephyr 154 lbs. (Mr. Churchill) 0

Time: 1 min. 36.2/5 secs.
1 1/2 lengths, 1/2 length.
Pari-mutuel: winner \$14.80; places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$21.80; 3rd \$24.10.

Winner Places
Tangle 271 655
Dark Eyes 201 473
Pumpkin 110 197
May 81 113
Inca 46 79
Half Pint 46 89
Rummy 41 74
Zephyr 23 44
Silver Stag 33 81
Alderley 25 65
Touch Wood 13 20
Movanager 6 22

Tangle, the favourite, was not leading until at the distance post from which stage there was never any doubt as to first place but there was a stiff fight for the remaining places.

May was first to show out but another outsider in Half Pint soon joined company on the outside. After two furlongs, Alderley swept past the van and established a commanding lead.

This pony looked as if he would win, but, on entering the straight, ran terribly wide and got lost, literally, in the field which came up.

Half Pint had slipped into the lead, followed by Tangle, which Mr. A. J. P. Heard had brought up steadily. Half Pint hung on with several others coming into the picture. Inca's effort, on the rails, was belated; catching up Half Pint at every stride, he just lost second berth. Rummy, on the outside, was close up fourth, with Movanager and Dark Eyes (the latter second favourite) next best.

3.—Commonwealth Handicap: "B" Class: Six Furlongs—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

John Peel's Huntington 157 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1
Stanton & Reidy's Blue World 159 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 2
Yam Man's Blue Danube 161 lbs. (Mr. da Rosa) 3

Wong Ping-shun's Thunderbolt 158 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 4
Ulster's Ace of Spades 147 lbs. (Mr. Lee) 0
R. M. Austin's Brigade Call 152 lbs. (Mr. Churchill) 0
Hau Ur's Desert Storm 152 lbs. (Mr. Lo) 0

Kitchell & L's Duke of Melrose 161 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0
J. C. Macgown's Duke of Nieblung 148 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0
Ulster's Erin's Isle 160 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0

Fiddes's Gold Medal 151 lbs. (Mr. Newbiggin) 0
Ho Kom-tong's Kom Tong Hall 150 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
N. Haslin's Sunning 153 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0
G. E. Mockler's Twilight Eye 150 lbs. (Mr. Mockler) 0

Time: 1 min. 32.4/5 secs.
1 1/2 lengths, a neck.
Pari-mutuel: winner \$175.50;

places, 1st \$18.70; 2nd \$6.90; 3rd \$6.20.

Winner Places
Imperial Hall 618 914
Young Pretender 410 531
Tarmacadam 162 323
Peck 110 225
Our Prince 108 264
Monterey Bay 38 127
City Hall 36 100

Monterey Bay, the first outsider to pass the winning post at the right moment, returned an excellent dividend. Second and third were the two ponies carrying most of the money.

Tarmacadam cracked the pace. Monterey Bay and Peck were well up but the latter dwindled off after running two furlongs. Young Pretender was another pony with the vanguard.

Both Imperial Hall and City Hall were content to stay at the rear until the 1/4 mile post.

Into the straight Tarmacadam showed the way with Young Pretender looming large on the rails. Then Monterey Bay came into the picture in the middle and Imperial Hall swept up on the outside.

Monterey Bay forged ahead and stayed there to surprise the crowd. Young Pretender beat Imperial Hall narrowly, what time City Hall had come up close to the rails with a nice burst at the end, only to be thrown out of stride through being shut in. There was some con-

fusion which made no difference to the result. Had City Hall been able to get a clear run, the verdict might have been different.

6.—Empire Handicap: "B" Class: One and a Quarter Miles—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Yam Man's Fifty-Fifty 167 lbs. (Mr. da Rosa) 1
Dynasty's King's Falloch 162 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 1
W. E. L. Shenton's The Phasant 163 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Dyer & Beith's Loch Etive 153 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 4
Service's As You Like It 143 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0
Roda's Bright Prospect 144 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 0
Cheng & Ng's Doubtful 149 lbs. (Mr. Lo) 0
Glenside's Fanling Stag 152 lbs. (Mr. McCartney) 0
Lee Fu-wing's Little Thunder 153 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Stanton & Reidy's Mowgli 150 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0
Chan & Rafeek's Nara Stag 150 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Loe Cheuk-uen's U Un II 148 lbs. (Mr. Proulx) 0
Time: 2 mins. 43.3/5 secs.
*Dead heat, 1 1/2 lengths.
Pari-mutuel: winner (King's Falloch) \$16.40; (Fifty-Fifty) \$15.30; places: 1st (King's Falloch) \$9.50; (Fifty-Fifty) \$9.30; 3rd \$7.50.

Winner Places
The Phasant 411 520
Fifty-Fifty 235 357
Mowgli 234 303
King's Falloch 212 340
Loch Etive 163 357
U Un II 135 160
Little Thunder 74 116
As You Like It 25 62
Nara Stag 54 96
Bright Prospect 12 15
Doubtful 12 43
Fanling Stag 7 13

The Phasant was favourite. Fifty-Fifty, Mowgli, King's Falloch and Loch Etive were also well supported. The favourite was beaten; Mowgli disappointed, Loch Etive met with misfortune and the other two in the betting ran a dead heat.

Mr. W. E. L. Lo's White Mist 140 lbs. (Mr. Blackhouse) 0

Time: 1 min. 33.2/5 secs.
2 1/2 lengths, 3 lengths.
Pari-mutuel: winner \$10.70; places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$23.50; 3rd \$18.60.

Winner Places
Huntington 485 724
Thunderbolt 179 408
Sunning 172 277
Duke of Melrose 67 113
Kom Tong Hall 85 130
Blue Danube 52 120
Blue World 43 88
Erin's Isle 39 100
Duke of Nieblung 38 69
Brigade Call 12 18
Gold Medal 8 19
White Mist 8 17
Twilight Eye 6 18
Desert Storm 3 10
Ace of Spades 3 14

Favourite at just over even, Huntington was in front from start to finish. Sunning and Thunderbolt, who were joint second favourites, failed to catch the judge's eye even for place. There was some excuse for Thunderbolt, running out of his class and handicapped by a poor start. Sunning had no excuse, however. He was second to Huntington at the critical moment but failed in the run in up the straight.

Blue World's effort was belated. At the mile post second place was assured but this pony never looked like spelling danger to Huntington. Blue Danube came out of the rack, ran side by side with Thunderbolt for a while, and finally forged ahead to earn third place money.

Twilight Eye was a bad last. Duke of Melrose was very prominent in the paddock but never showed up in the race.

4.—First Aggregate Stakes: One Mile.—Value \$500. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 174th, 175th, 176th, 177th, 178th, 179th, 180th, 181st, 182nd, 183rd, 184th, 185th, 186th, 187th, 188th, 189th, 190th, 191st, 192nd, 193rd, 194th, 195th, 196th, 197th, 198th, 199th, 200th, 201st, 202nd, 203rd, 204th, 205th, 206th, 207th, 208th, 209th, 210th, 211st, 212th, 213th, 214th, 215th, 216th, 217th, 218th, 219th, 220th, 221st, 222nd, 223rd, 224th, 225th, 226th, 227th, 228th, 229th, 230th, 231st, 232nd, 233rd, 234th, 235th, 236th, 237th, 238th, 239th, 240th, 241st, 242nd, 243rd, 244th, 245th, 246th, 247th, 248th, 249th, 250th, 251st, 252nd, 253rd, 254th, 255th, 256th, 257th, 258th, 259th, 260th, 261st, 262nd, 263rd, 264th, 265th, 266th, 267th, 268th, 269th, 270th, 271st, 272nd, 273rd, 274th, 275th, 276th, 277th, 278th, 279th, 280th, 281st, 282nd, 283rd, 284th, 285th, 286th, 287th, 288th, 289th, 290th, 291st, 292nd, 293rd, 294th, 295th, 296th, 297th, 298th, 299th, 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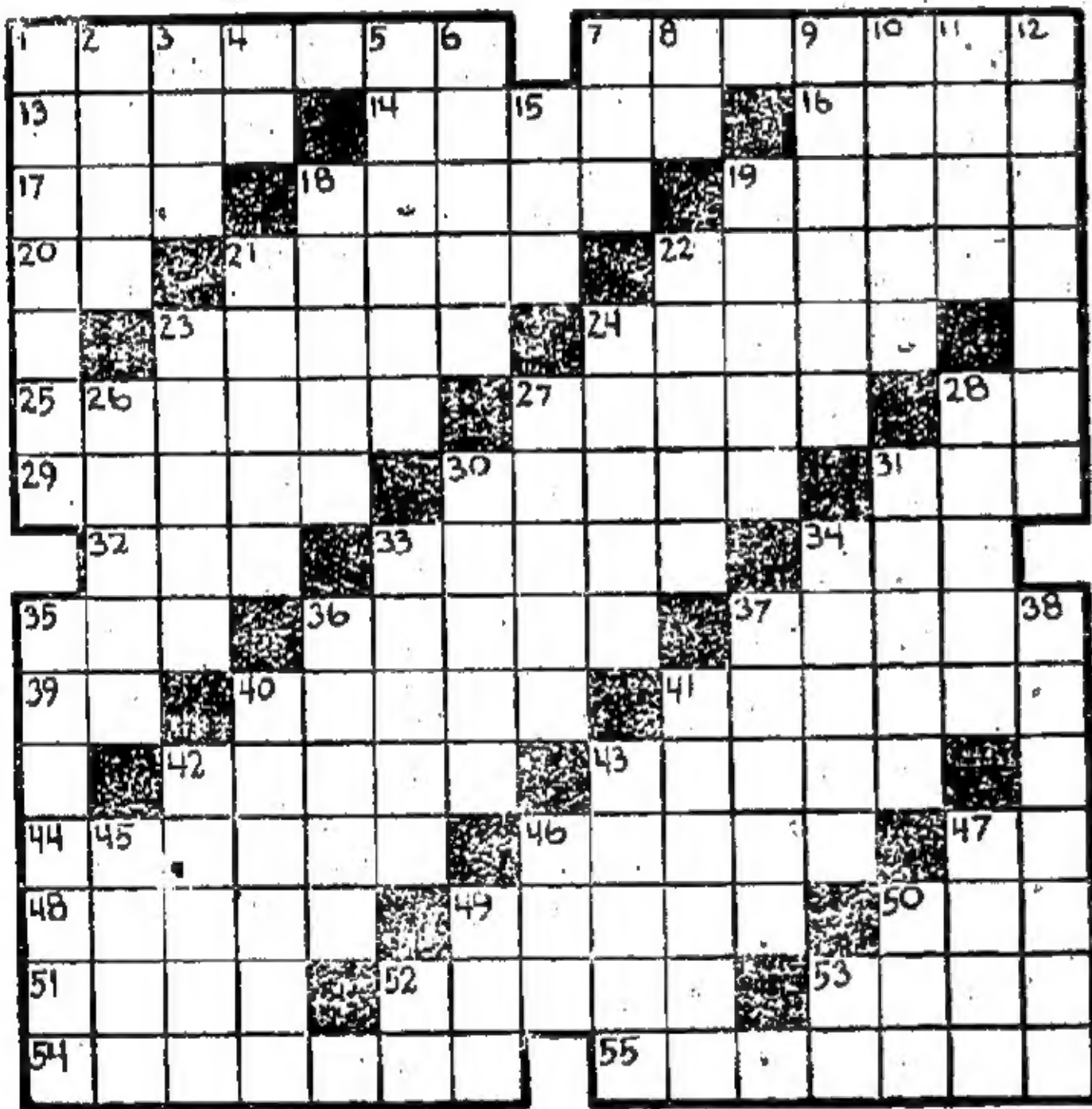
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Idiot
- 7-Scolding device
- 13-Extent
- 14-Swift
- 15-Bad
- 17-Drive out
- 18-Made into a hard mass
- 19-A bird
- 20-Musical note
- 21-After
- 22-Made pungent
- 23-A number
- 24-Swift
- 25-Dealer
- 27-Clock faces
- 28-Exlet
- 29-Ballade
- 30-Opposed to credit
- 31-Sister
- 32-An insect
- 33-Girl's name
- 34-Couch
- 35-Pronoun
- 36-Tooth
- 37-A tree
- 38-Mark's name (short)
- 39-Soon

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 41-To gratify
- 42-Contentment
- 43-City in N. Y. State
- 44-King's seat
- 45-Archie
- 46-Pronoun
- 47-Piles
- 48-The one acting
- 49-Eagle
- 50-Lifeless
- 51-Deer
- 52-Ruddiest
- 53-Avare
- 54-Deer
- 55-Avare

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-Caverns
- 19-Kind of cereal
- 21-Shell
- 22-Killed
- 23-More lucid
- 24-Strand
- 25-Clothed
- 26-Hinder
- 28-Water
- 30-Valve
- 31-Closed car
- 32-Domestic animal
- 34-Dall of a sheep
- 35-A shrub of Scotland
- 36-Large water pipes
- 37-Awake
- 38-Is indignant
- 40-Ran away
- 41-Establishes
- 42-Kind
- 43-Musical drama
- 45-At this place
- 46-Grow old
- 47-Market
- 48-Auto
- 52-Ex's a
- 53-Pronoun

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HOME RACING

WEIGHTS FOR QUEEN'S PRIZE

The following are the weights for the Queen's Prize, to be run at Kempton Park to-day (Monday):—

	lbs.	st.	lb.
Brown Jack	5	9	9
Sir Joshua	8	9	3
Review Order	6	9	2
Saracen	4	8	13
Glenhazel	4	8	11
Cap a Pie	5	8	10
Jugo	5	8	9
West Wicklow	5	8	8
Mint Master	4	8	7
Lawsuit	4	8	7
Boysant Bachelor	4	8	6
Kingcob	4	8	4
Zeno	4	8	4
Cheerio	4	8	3
Dark Hillock	6	8	1
Alacrity	6	8	1
The Brown Talkman	5	8	0
Flying Arab	4	7	11
Pard	6	7	11
Scamper II	5	7	10

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



CRICKET

HONG KONG C.C. WIN AGAIN

R. A. DEFEATED

Saturday's cricket was uncommonly dull, the depressing weather and end-of-the-season lack of enthusiasm contributing largely toward this factor.

In the only League fixture, the Hong Kong C.C. easily accounted for the Royal Artillery in the Senior Division. The former, who had already won the championship, have gone through their programme without a defeat, but have two drawn games against them.

Nothing of note was recorded in the four friendly matches, detailed scores of which follow.

League I

HONG KONG C.C. DEFEAT THE R.A.

On their own ground, the Hong Kong defeated the Royal Artillery by 96 runs.

Scoring very consistently, the home team compiled the respectable total of 173. Only two batsmen failed to reach double figures, the highest contributor being Hayward (34). Stanion, going in last but one, put up 26 in quick time.

The Gunners were weak in batting, Leach (45) alone making a stand. Taking four wickets each for 32 and 11 runs respectively, Parker and Owen Hughes were largely responsible for dismissing the visiting side for 77. Scores:—

Hong Kong C.C.	
A. W. Hayward, b Leach	34
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Christian, b Leach	11
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Maltas, b Musson	16
C. D. Wales, l.b.w., b Musson	3
K. H. Batger, b Leach	4
O. Moor, c Miller, b Leach	19
H. Owen Hughes, run out	12
H. V. Parker, c Leach, b Musson	15
G. E. R. Divett, b Miller	19
V. W. L. Stanion, c Walter, b Musson	26
H. R. B. Hancock, not out	10
Extras	4
Total	173

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Musson	16 4 71
Leach	18 0 74
Christian	4 0 22
Miller	13 1 2

Royal Artillery
Capt. McNair, c Owen Hughes, b Parker
L. Bdr. Maltas, c Owen Hughes, b Wales
Gnr. Bacon, c Parker, b Wales
E.S.M. Leach, b Parker
Lt. Musson, c Moor, b Parker
Lt. Wolfe-Barry, c and b Owen Hughes
Lt. Christian, b Parker
Lt. Walter, b Owen Hughes
Lt. Miller, b Owen Hughes
Sgt. Glazebrook, not out
Gnr. Kitcher, c and b Owen Hughes
Extras

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Wales	9 3 32
Parker	14 5 32
Owen Hughes	5 5 2 11

Friendly Matches

UNIVERSITY 2ND V. H.K.C.C. 2ND

At Pokfulam, the University 2nd XI. lost to the second team of the Hong Kong C.C. by 43 runs.

One of the features of the game was the second wicket partnership between Armstrong (42) and Duckitt (31) for the visitors, which realised 61 runs. Wolf played a forceful innings for 35, the H.K.C.C. score reaching 150.

Chan Fook, going on second-change, took five wickets for 27. The University replied with 107. Kermani with 22 to his credit, being top-scorer. Reid accounted for four wickets for 10 runs, whilst Walkinshaw took two for 14. Scores:—

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI.	
H. J. Armstrong, b Chan Fook	42
L. A. R. Duncan, b Baker	4
E. R. Duckitt, c Barma, b Chan Fook	31
L. W. Walkinshaw, b Chan Fook	35
H. L. F. Ewin, c and b Chan Fook	7
A. J. Wolf, c Fernando, b Aziz	35
J. R. Collis, b Baker	3
S. J. Jordain, b Baker	3
B. L. Stock, b Aziz	2
A. Reid, c Barma, b Chan Fook	2
N. S. Lee, not out	5
Extras	11
Total	150

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Baker	11 2 36
Nomanbhoy	8 0 33
Rodrigues	5 0 28
Chan Fook	8 0 27
Aziz	4 1 15
University 2nd XI	
A. Baker, c Ewin, b Reid	18
H. T. Barma, run out	2

S. Kermani, c Stock, b Reid	22
H. E. Adams, b Duckitt	2
A. Rodrigues, b Reid	5
A. Chan Fook, b Reid	17
C. Candah, st. Ewin, b Walkinshaw	4
F. Hiptoola, not out	9
A. Nomanbhoy, run out	3
A. A. Aziz, b Walkinshaw	23
Extras	2
Total	107

F. Fernando absent.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Wolf	8 1 10
Duckitt	10 3 27
Stock	3 0 18
Reid	10 3 10
Walkinshaw	5 0 14

C.S.C.C. 2ND V. I.R.C. 2ND

In a match of low scores at Happy Valley, the Civil Service C.C. 2nd XI lost to the second string of the Indian R.C. by 28 runs.

Batting first, the visitors made 95 runs and then dismissed the home team for 67.

A. K. Ismail, a medium-paced left-hand bowler, taking five wickets for 30, returned the best analysis on either side. For the C.S.C.C., Westlake captured five for 45. Scores:—

I.R.C. 2nd XI	
M. P. Madar, b Westlake	10
A. Butt, c Carr, b Harper	20
A. K. Ismail, b Westlake	12
A. M. Rumjahn, run out	4
F. M. el Arculli, c Sub, b Westlake	5
Sirdar Khan, b Westlake	12
D. Mohamed, b Westlake	0
U. T. Thad, b Harper	0
S. Ismail, c Booker, b Harper	19
J. S. Akker, l.b.w., b Chittenden	19
A. Moonshjee, not out	3
Extras	8
Total	95

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Westlake	16 4 45
Chittenden	6 3 1 23
Harper	9 2 19

C.S.C.C. 2nd XI.

H. F. Westlake, b A. K. Ismail	10
Murphy, st. Butt, b Rumjahn	10
Willmott, c Rumjahn, b A. K. Ismail	1
H. F. Harper, c A. K. Ismail, b Rumjahn	1
F. H. Holdman, c Butt, b A. K. Ismail	1
T. W. Carr, b Rumjahn	1
V. Chittenden, b A. K. Ismail	1
R. R. Davies, c Butt, b A. K. Ismail	1
C. Sara, c S. Ismail, b Mohamed	1
B. E. Maughan, not out	1
F. E. Booker, st. Butt, b Mohamed	1
Extras	1
Total	67

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.
A. K. Ismail	7 2 30
Rumjahn	5 0 22
Sirdar Khan	1 0 7
Madar	1 0 5
Mohamed	5 2 2

R.A.O.C. v. POLICE R.C.

At Sookumpoo, the Royal Army Ordnance Corps defeated the Police R.C. by two wickets.

Batting nine men, the Police set their opponents 32 runs to win, which they knocked off for the loss of eight wickets, in spite of the fine bowling of Lacey, who took seven wickets for 36. Scores:—

Police R.C.	
T. N. Hunter, c Corbett	15
A. E. Meadows, b Anderson	17
T. H. King, c Brooks, b Corbett	6
Reynolds, b Wisner	2
B. Thorpe, b Corbett	19
A. E. Lacey, not out	0
Hallam, b Wisner	0
Edwards, c Rowe, b Wisner	0
McFadden, b Wisner	0
Extras	5
Total	51

Two others did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Wisher	9 1 28
Rowe	2 0 5
Anderson	6 1 23
Corbett	5 1 15
Garner	1 0 6

R.A.O.C.

Morgan, b Lacey	6
Garner, c Hunter, b Lacey	29
Wisher, c Taylor, b Lacey	3
Sharpe, b Lacey	5
Anderson, c Hunter, b Lacey	2
Brooks, c Hunter, b Hallam	23
Greenaway, b Lacey	1
Rowe, b Lacey	9
Corbett, not out	6
Extras	3
Total	86

Two others did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
O.	M.
Lacey	10 1 36
King	7 0 27
Hallam	3 0 11
Meadows	2 0 9

K.B.S.F.P.A. v. "TITANIA"

At King's Park, the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association lost easily to H.M.S. "Titania."

The scoring on the part of the K.B.S.F.P.A. was remarkably low,

as only 20 runs came from the bat. Extras helped with 22 towards a total of 42 runs.

The "Titania" replied with 169 against weak bowling. Scores:—

K.B.S.F.P.A.	
Whiteby, c Giles, b D. Hill	0
W. Hirst, b D. Hill	5
J. J. Hirst, c and b Sparrow	1
H. D. Gregory, b Sparrow	5
A. E. Edgar, b Sparrow	0
H. A. Gregory, l.b.w., b Sparrow	3
E. Moses, b Balcome	0
C. L. Gregory, b Sparrow	2
Johnston, b Newcombe	0
S. A. Gregory, not out	3
Chester, c and b Ball	1
Extras	22
Total	42

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.
D. Hill	6 2 8
Sparrow	6 1 7
Newcombe	2 1 1
Ball	1 0 2
Balcome	2 0 2

H.M.S. "Titania"

Ball, retired	23
Sparrow, c and b H. A. Gregory	12
Giles, b H. A. Gregory	8
D. Hill, b H. A. Gregory	0
Newcombe, retired	37
Clark, not out	31
E. Hill, b J. J. Hirst	0
Brokenshire, b J. J. Hirst	12
Tucker, b J. J. Hirst	10
Gawn, b H. A. Gregory	17
Balcome, b W. Hirst	0
Extras	19
Total	169

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.
J. J. Hirst	13 0 73
H. A. Gregory	7 0 38
Whiteby	3 0 8
C. L. Gregory	2 0 17
W. Hirst	5 0 14

LEAGUE TABLES

Division I.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Hong Kong C.C.	8	6	2	20
University	8	5	1	16
Kowloon C.C.	8	3	2	12
Indian R.C.	7	3	2	11
Royal Navy	8	3	1	10
Royal Artillery	8	3	0	9
Chinese R.C.	7	2	1	7
Craigengower C.C.	8	1	3	6
Civil Service C.C.	8	1	3	6

Division II.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
H.K.C.C. 2nd	11	10	0	30
Indian R.C. 2nd	12	9	1	23
R.E. & S.	11	8	0	24
Kowloon C.C. 2nd	11	6	2	19
C.S.C.C. 2nd	11	5	2	17
R.A.S.C.	11	5	2	17
Recreio	12	5	1	16
University 2nd	10	4	2	14
Craigengower 2nd	11	4	2	14
Police R.C.	12	3	0	9
Royal Navy 2nd	10	2	1	7
R.A.O.C.	9	2	0	7
Electric R.C.	11	0	3	3

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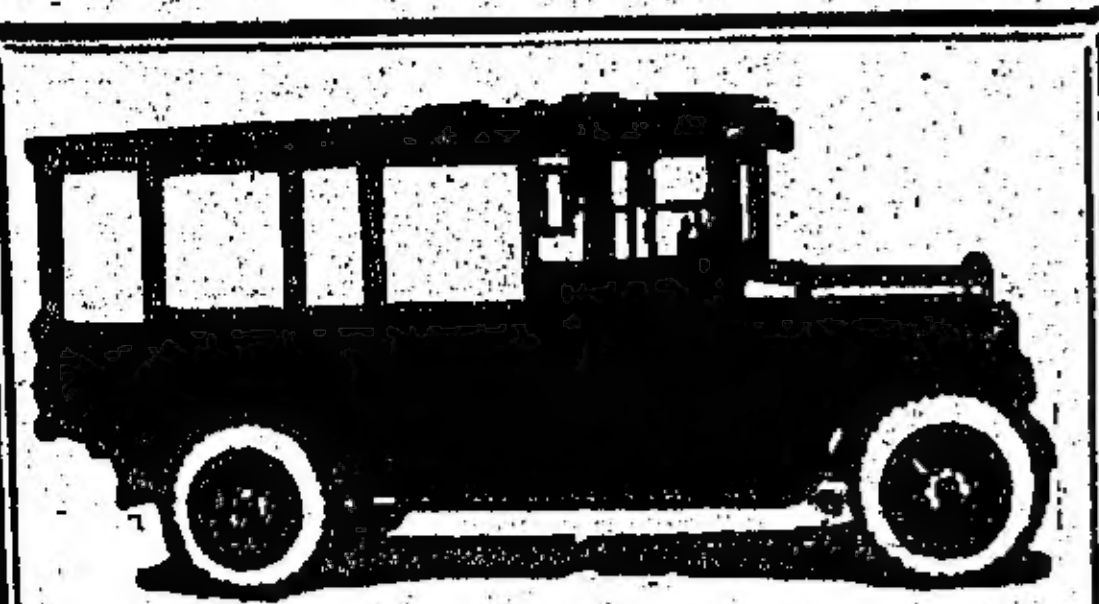
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Shanghai	Calchas
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.	
Straits	Kidderpore
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia, London.	
10th-15th March	Padua
THURSDAY, APRIL 4.	
Japan	Kanagawa Maru
Japan	Shunko Maru
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, March 7)	Diomed
FRIDAY, APRIL 5.	
Japan	Burma Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru
SATURDAY, APRIL 6.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Monroe
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Calchas (Due Marseilles, 3rd May.)	
K.P.O.	
Registration	Apr. 2, 1 p.m.
Letters	1 p.m.
G.P.O.	
Registration	1.45 p.m.
Letters	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	
Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco	
Tenyo Maru (Due San Francisco, 26th April.)	
Registration	Apr. 2, 4.15 p.m.
Letters	5 p.m.
Tenyo Maru	
Registration	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
Letters	6 p.m.
Swatow	6 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.	
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FRIDAY, APRIL 5.	
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SEVERAL "RED HATS" AT
POPE'S DISPOSAL
ANOTHER DEATH

Rome, Yesterday.
The death of Cardinal Lucidi has reduced the Sacred College to only 59 members, of whom 28 are Italian and 33 non-Italian, respectively.
As the quorum or "plenum" is 70, although customarily one or two places are vacant, the Pope has now eight or nine red hats at his disposal, a record since the time of Leo the Thirteenth.—Reuter.

BIG DEAL

RADIO AND TELEPHONE'S
TENTATIVE PLAN
JOINT STATEMENT

New York, Saturday.
The Radio Corporation and the International Telephone and Telegraph Company have jointly issued a statement to the effect that their agreement is merely an accord regarding the desirability of the consolidation of their communications and interests and is a tentative plan under which the law permitted.
The statement adds that the unification of communications such as has occurred in the British Empire will be to the interests of the United States.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier telegram was to the following effect:—
The "Herald Tribune" states that an agreement has been signed in Paris for the sale of the Radio Corporation's subsidiary company, the Communication Co., to the International Telephone & Telegraph Co. for \$8100,000,000.]

SYDNEY-WYNDHAM

START OF NON-STOP
FLIGHT

SINGAPORE LATER

Sydney, Saturday.
Captain Kingsford Smith and Mr. Ulm, the first airmen to fly across the Pacific, have started on a non-stop flight of 2,000 miles to Wyndham, West Australia, en route to Singapore and thence to Britain.—Reuter.
Forced Down
Sydney, Yesterday.
Kingsford Smith and Ulm, aboard the "Southern Cross" made a forced landing near Wyndham, owing to lack of petrol. The crew of four, includes a navigator and wireless operator.—Reuter.

Mr. L. Evans, of Denmark Cottage, Woodley, near Reading, who had been working fog signals, was knocked down by a train and killed on the Great Western Railway near Sonning golf course early one morning last month.

CHEFOO QUIET

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN
SHANTUNG

NORTHERNERS' CAMPAIGN

Chefoo, Yesterday.
"All is quiet here. There are about 1,000 ex-Northern troops (who ejected the Nationalist defenders) in the vicinity.—British Naval Wireless.

Chang's "I Will Fight"

Peking, Saturday.
Chang Tsung-chang yesterday called on several foreign Consuls at Chefoo and stated that Sun Chuan-fang would shortly be joining him. His next objectives would be Tsinan and Tsingtao and that as soon as the Japanese withdrew he would fight Feng Yu-hsiang if he attempted to come in. As far as is known Chang Tsung-chang controls 35,000 men, including Chu Yu-pu's troops.—Reuter.

Japanese Murdered?

Tokyo, Saturday.
Commenting on the Press reports that a Japanese has been murdered at Tsiho in Shantung province, the Government spokesman states that an official report says that it has been unable to verify the murdered man's nationality so far, as the head was cut off.

The Foreign Office has ordered investigations and is awaiting a further report.—Reuter.

Feng to Take Over

Shanghai, Saturday.
A Kuo Min news agency report from Tai-anfu, in Shantung, says that 30,000 of Feng Yu-hsiang's troops have gone eastward to take over the garrisoning of the Tsinan-Kiaochow area, following Japanese withdrawal.—Reuter.

OFF TO INDIA

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London, Saturday.
The Armstrong Siddeley air liner, inaugurating the Imperial Airways Service to India, left Croydon at 10 o'clock en route to Basle on the first stage of her 5,000 miles' flight.
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BUBONIC PLAGUE

JAPANESE REPORT FROM
FOOCHOW

Peking, Saturday.
A message from Foochow says that Japanese sources report an outbreak of bubonic plague and that there have been several cases.—Reuter.

COLLISION IN BAY OF BISCAY

S.S. "CEYLAN"

FRENCH LINER AND A BRITISH
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London, Yesterday.
The Chargeurs Reunis liner s.s. "Ceylan" is sinking in the Bay of Biscay. The crew and passengers have taken to the boats and help is being dispatched.

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The "Ceylan" collided with the British steamer "Clodoald" and was holed near the stokehold.

Her passengers were taken aboard the latter and four tugs, which responded to the S.O.S. are now towing the "Ceylan" to Bordeaux. She was leaking badly.—Reuter.

BOYS BRAVERY

TRAIN STOPPED AT THE EDGE
OF OBSTRUCTION

Pomeroy, (Ohio).—A seventeen-year-old boy named Glen Cline crawled from his sick-bed at Pomeroy, Ohio, in mail week and saved an express train filled with passengers from almost certain disaster.

While lying in bed he heard a loud roar from the railway near his house. Convinced that a high embankment had collapsed burying the permanent way under tons of debris, the boy seized a lantern and hurried to the scene, where he found that fears were only too true.

Knowing that the express train was about due, he rushed to the nearest curve, where he stood swinging his lantern until the driver of the approaching express, seeing the faint light, applied his brakes in the nick of time and brought the train to a standstill within a few yards of the spot where the track had gone.

WAR ENDING?

(Continued from Page 1.)

General Offensive

Shanghai, Saturday.
A Kuo Min news agency message from Nanking says that according to an official communique, Chiang Ting-wen's 9th division is nearing Hwangchow.

It is understood that Chiang Kai-shek has ordered Chu Pei-teh, Liu Chih and Han Fu-chu to launch a general offensive, as the central authorities wish to conclude the expedition in the shortest possible time.

Chen Tiao-yuan has gone to Pengpu to take charge of the garrisoning of the southern section of the Tientsin-Pukow—Railway.—Reuter.

Call to Szechuan

Shanghai, Saturday.
A Kuo Min news agency message from Nanking says that the State Council of the National Government has ordered Liu Hsiang in Szechuan to advance into western Hupeh in order to prevent the Kwangsi troops in Hupeh from joining up with Yang Sen, the stormy petrel of Szechuan.—Reuter.

Feng Yu-hsiang

Nanking, Saturday.
Kuomintang headquarters here have received a telegram from Feng Yu-hsiang stating that he arrived yesterday at Huashan, Shensi.—Reuter.

Concentration

Hankow, Thursday.
It is reliably reported that General Feng Yu-hsiang is seizing rolling stock on the Peking-Hankow Railway and is concentrating large forces at Chengchow.—Reuter.

Yen Hsi-shan

Peking, Saturday.
Yen Hsi-shan, in a circular telegram, denounces the Kwangsi faction and announces his support of Nanking.—Reuter.

It is officially notified that Mr. W. R. Boyd, M.C.S., is to officiate as First Assistant Secretary (B), S.S. and to be Clerk of Councils; Mr. B. R. Whitehouse, M.C.S., is to officiate as Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court and Sheriff, Singapore, and Mr. B. W. Allen is to be a Superintendent of Police, S.S.

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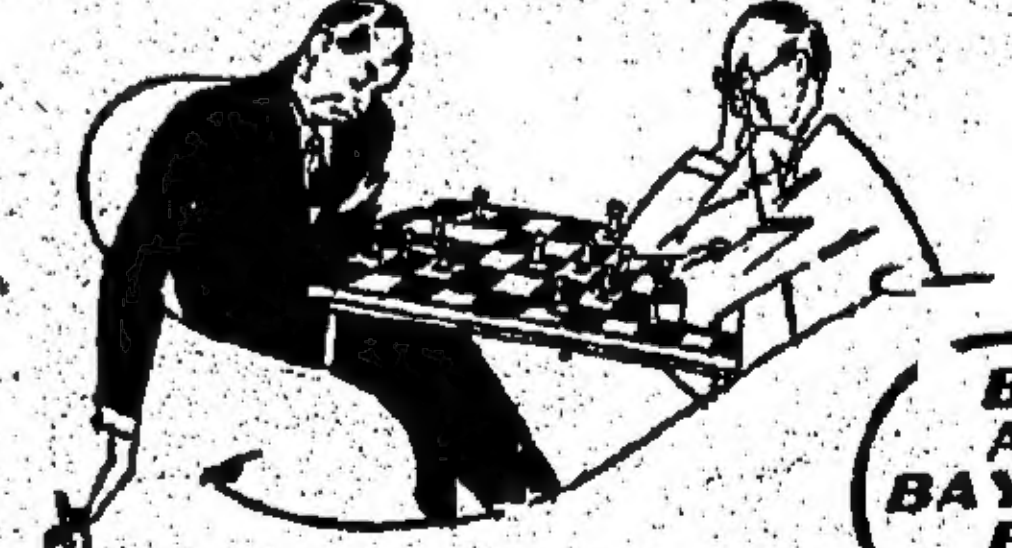
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